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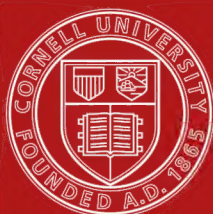
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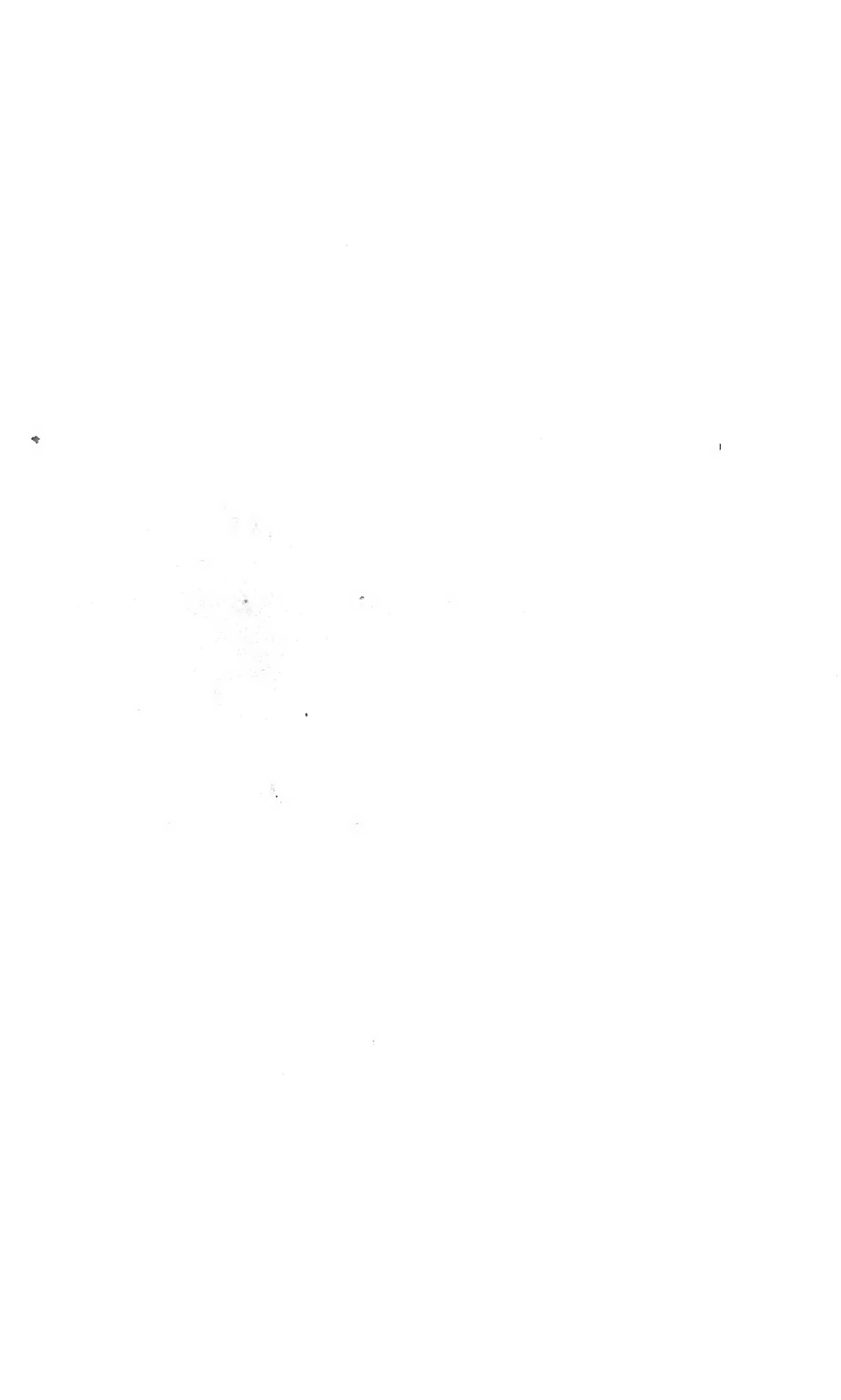


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*F. J. Evans,*

## TOWN RECORDS

OF

# MANCHESTER

At the Annual Town Meeting held on March 19, 1889, the following votes were passed—*Voted.* That the Town Clerk be authorized to copy and cause to be printed the early records of the town and that \$300 be appropriated for this purpose. It was also voted that a committee of three be appointed to coöperate with the Town Clerk in this work: Daniel Leach, William H. Toppan and D. L. Bingham were appointed to serve upon this committee.

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TOWN RECORDS

OF

MANCHESTER, *Mass*

FROM THE EARLIEST GRANTS OF LAND, 1636, WHEN A  
PORTION OF SALEM UNTIL 1736, AS CONTAINED  
IN THE TOWN RECORDS OF SALEM,  
SECOND AND THIRD BOOK OF  
RECORDS OF THE TOWN  
OF MANCHESTER.

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## MANCHESTER TOWN RECORDS

### FROM 1636 TO 1736.

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At the Annual Town Meeting held March 19, 1889, the Town Clerk was authorized to copy and cause to be printed the early records of the Town. A committee of three was also appointed to coöperate with him in this work. The earliest mention of the settlement of Manchester is to be found in the Salem Records when grants of land were made from time to time as the applications received favorable action. It was thought best to incorporate these grants in this book as showing who were the earliest settlers. Our next source of information is what is known as the Second Book. This contains probably a portion of the first; as in the Third Book, compiled by Dr. E. W. Leach in 1836, it will be noticed that copies have been made of former grants and reference is made to the First Book. It seems reasonable to suppose that some one had collected scattered leaves and bound them together. There is a gap, however, between 1645 and 1658 we have no means of supplying. A correct transcript has been made of this book, and although nearly transparent from many years wear and portions of several pages missing yet sufficient remains to give a fairly correct idea of the original meaning. The dash indicates the words that are gone. The Third Book, while in the main easily read, has several pages almost illegible. The following extracts were taken from a communication by Wm. P. Upham written as an introductory to the Salem Records and are of interest as showing town government in its infancy.

“The interest which attaches to these ancient manuscript records is heightened when we consider how few were the ‘plantations’ then existing in the Massachusetts colony. In fact, they date back to the very time when towns, as such, came into existence. On the 3d of September, 1634, the General Court appointed a Committee, consisting of nine members, to set out the bounds of towns. At the same Court leave was granted to ‘the inhabitants of Salem to keepe a markett weekly, on the fourth day of

y<sup>e</sup> weeke, commonly called Wednesday.' On the 4th of March, 1635, and the 3d of March, 1636, special committees were appointed to set out the bounds between Salem and the adjoining towns. At a General Court held March 3, 1635-6, the following order was passed, which, as it is in fact the origin of the various and important powers ever since exercised by towns and will serve as an appropriate introduction to these records. is here given in full. 'Whereas particular towns have many things which concerne onely themselves, and the ordering of their own affairs and disposing of business in their own town, it is therefore ordered, that the free-men of every town or the major part of them shall alone have power to dispose of their own lands, and woods, with all the privileges and appurtenances of the said towns, to grant lots, and make such orders as may concern the well ordering of their own towns not repugnant to the laws and orders here established by the General Court; as also to lay mulcts and penalties for the breach of these orders, and to levy and distrain the same, not exceeding the sum of XX<sup>s</sup>; also to choose their own particular officers as, constables, surveyors for the highways, and the like; and because much business is like to ensue to the constables of several towns, by reason they are to make distresses, and gather fines, therefore that every town shall have two constables, where there is need, that so their office may not be a burthen unto them, and they may attend more carefully upon the discharge of their office, for which they shalbe liable to give their accompts to this Court when they shalbe called thereunto.' "

### TOWN RECORDS OF SALEM.

Ann<sup>o</sup> 1636 [25<sup>1</sup>] Tho: mores widow 10 Acres at Jeffrys creek

|                        |    |                       |    |
|------------------------|----|-----------------------|----|
| ✓ Samuell Archer       | 60 | Srg <sup>t</sup> Dixy | 50 |
| W <sup>m</sup> Allen   | 50 |                       |    |
| Jo: Sibley             | 50 | Att Jefferys Creek    |    |
| Geo: W <sup>ms</sup>   | 40 |                       |    |
| Jo. Moor               | 40 |                       |    |
| Jo. Black              | 30 |                       |    |
| Srg <sup>t</sup> Wolfe | 50 |                       |    |

20<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> mo: 1636 [37] A warrant granted & delivered Jn<sup>o</sup> Woodbury according to the form of the first warrant, for the Laying out unto the above written

<sup>1</sup> The figures in bold type enclosed in brackets refer to the paging in the original records.





8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> month 1637 [60] Jn<sup>o</sup> Pikwod Jn<sup>o</sup> Gally Jn<sup>o</sup> Norman & W<sup>m</sup> Benitt have allowed these fower eyther of them 25 acres a man ||at Jefferyes Creeke||

At A Towne meeting the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1638 [75] Graunted to Samuell Archer one neck of Land lying out against the sea neere vnto Jeffry Creeke Iland contayning twentie acres of land|| or thereabouts|| & 8 acres of meadow to be laid him out in Kettle Coue.

4<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> moneth 1638 [80] Graunted to Robert Allyn 25 Acres of land; lyinge betwene the land of W<sup>m</sup> Bennett & Samuell Archer [their land] at Jeffrys Creeke

20<sup>th</sup> day 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1639 [92] James Standish is granted 40 acres of land neere Jeffry Creeke 1639

[92] Graunted to John Pickworth 3 or 4 acres of meadow to the land formerly graunted him

21<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> moneth 1639 [98] Granted to Benjamin Parminster 10 acres of land at Jeff [ryes] Creeke when the former grants are made good

[126] The 4<sup>th</sup> of the ffirst moneth 1643 Graunted to Richard Gardner at Jeffrye Creeke 20 twentie acres of Land: to be layd out by the Town

At a generall towne meeting held the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> moneth 1646 [145] Ordered that William Woodburie & Richard Brackenburie Ensigne Dixy Mr Conant & Lieutennt Lothrop || & Laurence Leech|| shall forthw<sup>th</sup> lay out a way betweene the fferry at Salem & the head of Jeffryes Creeke & that it be such a way as men may travell on horseback & driue cattle & if such a way may not be found then to take speedy Course to sett vp a footebridge at Mackrell Coue.

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#### FREEMANS OATH.

Realms of  
England

I A. B. doe truly and sincerely acknowledge professe, testify and declare in my conscience before God and the World, that our Sovereigne Lord King Charles, is lawfull and rightfull King of this Realm and of all other His Maj<sup>ties</sup> Dominions and Country and that the Pope neither of himselfe, nor by any authority of the Church or See of Rome, or by any other means with any other,



hath any Power or authority to depose the King or to dispose any of his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Kingdoms or Dominions, or to authorize any forraine Prince, to invade or annoy him or His Countreys, or to discharge any of his Subjects of their Allegiance and obedience to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> or to give License or leave to any of them to beare Arms, raise tumults or offer any violence or hurt to his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Royall Person State or Government or to any of his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Subjects within his Maj<sup>ties</sup> Dominions Alsoe I doe sweare from my heart, that notwithstanding any Declaration or Sentence of Excommunication or Deprivation made or granted or to be made or granted by the Pope or his successors, or by any authority Derived or pretended to be derived from him or his See, against the said King his Heirs or Successors or any absolution of the said Subjects from their Obedience. I will beare faith and true Allegiance to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> His Heirs and Successors, and Him and them will defend to the uttermost of my power against all Conspiracies and attempts whatsoever which shall be made against His or their Persons, their Crowne and Dignity, by reason or colour of any such Sentence or Declaration or otherwise and will doe my best endeavour, to disclose and make knowne unto his Maj<sup>ty</sup> His Heirs and Successors all Treasons and traiterous Conspiracies, which I shall know or heare of to be against Him or any of them And I doe further sweare that I doe from my heart abhor, detest and abjure, as impious and hereticall this damnable doctrine and position, that Princes w<sup>ch</sup> be excommunicated or deprived by y<sup>e</sup> Pope, may be deposed or murdered by their Subjects, or any other whatsoever And I doe beleive and in my conscience am resolved, that neither the Pope nor any person whatsoever hath power to absolve me of this Oath or any part thereof, which I acknowledge by good & full Authority to be lawfully ministered unto me, And doe renounce all Pardons & Dispensations to the contrary. And all these things I doe plainly and sincerely acknowledge and sweare, according to these expreste words by me spoken, and according to the plaine and common sense





and understanding of the Same words without any equivocation or mentall evasion or secret reservation whatsoever, And I doe make this Recognition and Acknowledgment heartily willingly & truly, upon the true faith of a Christian, Soe help me God.

This is a true Copy copied

BOOKE WILLIAM.

Previous to 1752 the legal year began on the 25th of March, which was called the first month, April the second, May the third month, and so on, January being called the eleventh and February the twelfth. Therefore " March 12, 1636 " or " 1636-7 " in records previous to 1752 would be in modern reckoning, March 12, 1637. And so of any date between Jan. 1st and March 25th.

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## SECOND BOOK OF RECORDS.

Nathaniel Masterson of Manchester hath conveyed unto Robert Morgan of Beverly his right and title to land containing by estimation and interest in the commons inconsideration of his paying or causing to be paid by his heirs or assigns

1654

Witnesses

The marke

of Richard | Norman  
                  | ye older

Thomas Millet

hogs to be yoked up in the midle July

february 25 1657 hie ways  
mended voted & Agread at a town meating that at the 22 Day of  
march 1658 the hy wayes with the pound shall be mended sefechent  
it is further ordered and Agread that the swine shall be yoked with  
sefechent yokes the same to be Donn when the fences are made up  
and after 2 or 3 Dayes at the ferthest a hodge from a—to a year  
owld with youke 18 inches and from that—with a yoke of 3 fold  
and this is—from the time before mentioned to the midell of July  
and by any neglect hereof the owner of the swine—are found on  
yoked shall pay 2 shillen a Day—Day that can be proved they  
were on yoked the Damegh is to be payed they Done as in—shall  
Judge to them that sustayn the wrong—who ever finds swine on  
yoked and takes witness of—they or he shall retain 3 shillen and

the—the 13 of Desember 1658 the inhabitents—meet and order all rates that are behynd to be gathered by Aberham wityear who hath full power from the Plantation for the sam pasco fote John siblee Robbert Leach Henry Leae Sam friend Willam Benets John Picworth James Standish

The 11—it is ordered at a town—that none shall cut—timber in y<sup>e</sup> Commons y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> proper 60 Inhabetents—and y<sup>t</sup> if any stranger—inhabetent in y<sup>e</sup> towne Doe—any timber in the towne—it is left y<sup>e</sup> towns—to looke aftair—

Manchester the 6 of the 10 month 1658 yet is ordered and A gread at a towne meeting that all orders as formerly was made and here-in expressed in writen shall stand conserning masts—

trees hogsheds and barrells

for masts for barks and trees for each mast 0 5 8

all y<sup>e</sup> bowsprits and other yeerds as Goodman

Benet shall judge who is apoynted by the towne

for a shollops mast 0-1-0 for a clabbord tree 0-1-0

for a pike stafe tre 0-1-0 for hogshed & barrells such tre may tax 0-1-0 for — trees — for that is sould out of the towne for that 0-2-6 yet is further ordered that no posts and rayells shall be cut from of the comons to be transported out of the Plantation or any other plase upon the forfeiture of 40 shellen and who soever make use of any tre standen or lyen the ground either oke or pine or cedar for slabowrd bowsprits shingles shall pay V shillen and for all frames a ten — to ther demetions here expressed : a frame of 20 fet long or one of 30 fete long 15<sup>d</sup> and so proportionabell acordingly as they are longer or shorter syertified and for sawing of any board not under oposyt yet — there owne use 4 pense a hundred and for trees for each for shellen Given under the hands of the Selectmen the 6<sup>th</sup> of the — in the yere 1658

Pascoe ffoote

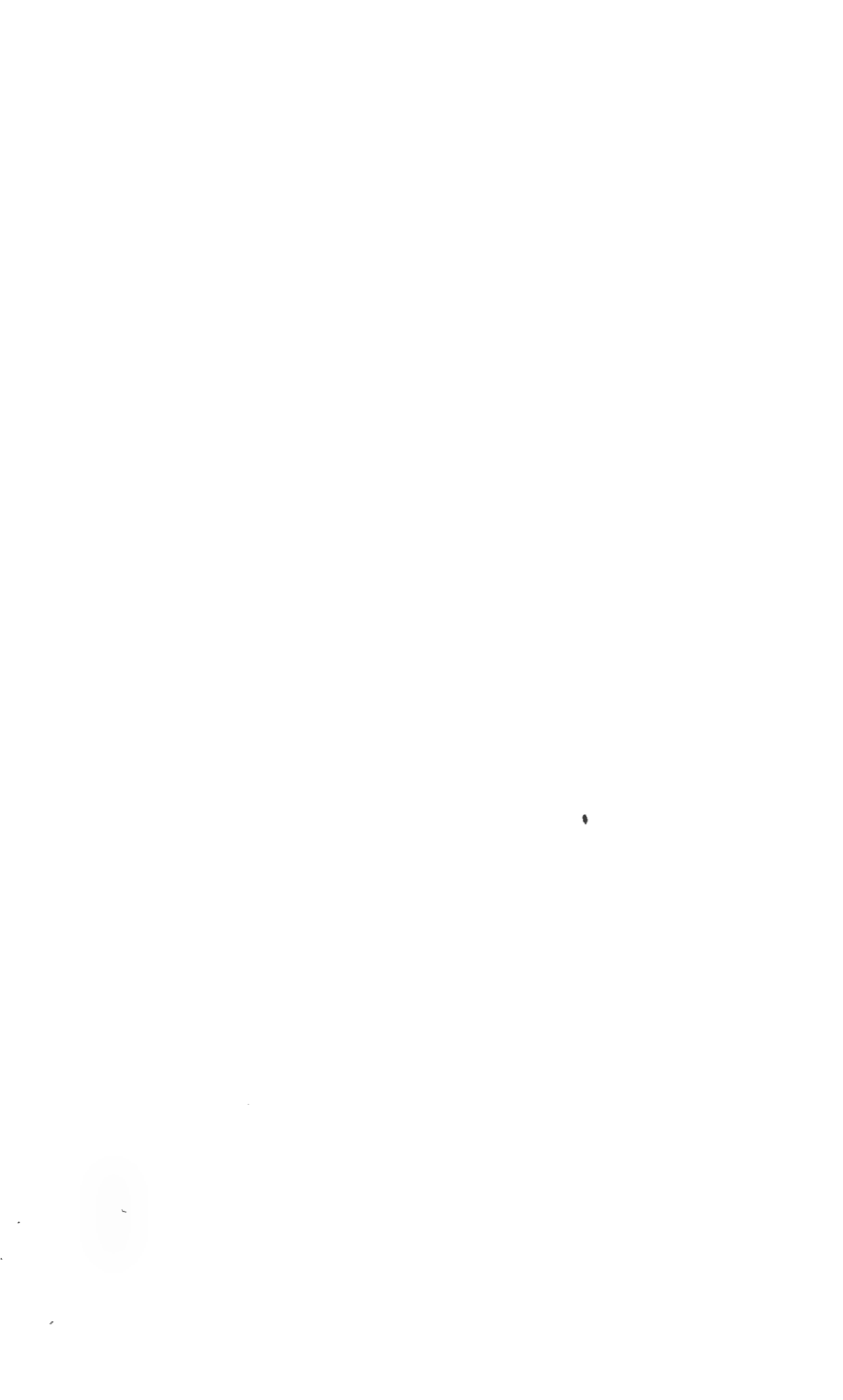
John Siblee

Robert Leach

At a towne meting at manchester the 3<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill 1661 It was ordered by the inhabetents of the plantation y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> fences shall be made up by the 11 Day of Aprell and after that the nex Day ensuing all swine shall be yoked with such youkee as have ben formerly mentioned for the lyngth — to the bedgnes of the swyne — fences are to be kept up and swyne kept — tell all







the fields are cleared of that which is to be gathered in who soever shall let in cattle in to his field if — depends upon his ney bewre as joyning — unto that so doeth shall pay 5 shillens and all Dameghes that cometh by his in so Doueing all swyne that are found without the yoke — after the owner doth know of the — yet is selfishly proved they shall — appear and answer every such neglect

ordered by the inhabitants of the plantation that the Pound shall be sufficiently made by the middle of —

April the 5 1661 Yet is ordered by the inhabitants of the plantation that who soever shall cut upon — any mast without informen the select men of the towne and good man Jones of the same or shall go with a stranger that shall so Dew he shall pay 5 — for every such offense

At a towne meeting at Manchester the June 1661 yet is ordered and agreed upon by the major pty that Thomas L — is to have that parcel of ground over adjoining the beaver Dame at the fresh meadow provided he hinder not the convenency for cattle — for coming to water they that granted was Rob Leach Will Benet John Norman James Standish Sam Allen Nath: — Sam friend Henry Lea with Goodman Jones

the 17 of June 1661 — ordered by the Inhabitents of the Plantation that Goodman Jones is to have a parcel of land lying at the hethermost end of the playnds from beyond where Thomas Chub made his stone wall till it comes to the rock that taken in to the brushe — cartway that now is his outer most — the rots is the endermost bounds — inding as free land to his ayers for ever

y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1661 Att a town meeting at Manchester it was ordered & agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> plantation y<sup>t</sup> Samuel friend is to have y<sup>e</sup> Little Island y<sup>t</sup> is joyning to his marsh att y<sup>e</sup> great neck of Land where they now plant this was granted to him with the Generell consent of y<sup>e</sup> plantation

Att a towne meeting the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1668 it was confirmed by most of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants y<sup>t</sup> wear their mett y<sup>t</sup> in consideration of sum Ground y<sup>t</sup> they make use of for a burell place which was Samuel friend owne land possessed & planted by him in Lieu thereof he is to have a neck of Land y<sup>t</sup> Lyes between the Saw mill and his Island upon which now his house doth stand which was granted formerly but being confirmed & now recorded

the 17 of June 1661 yet is ordered by the inhabitants of the Plan-

tation that Sam friend is to have the upland that — to his marsh yet is ordered by the Inhabetents — Plantation that Goodman Jones Sam: friend John Pickworth Sam: Pickworth — John Norman June<sup>r</sup> Joseph pickworth Aron Bennet Onsephorous Allen Isaac ffote are to have that parcell of land that lyeth at the hether most — by cettel coue both sydes of the Pan from the Plase where he had his cow drowned to the goweing of — but the marsh is left out accordingly — the Cart way that now is shall be left soe for the use of the Plantation only they that have the land are to leaffe barrs for the carts goweing threw but if any of the sed fore mentioned shall — out of the Plantation before they either — or make use of their land then they shall — yet to the Plantation this is givinge the majer part of the plantation as — the 17 of June 1661 henry Lea Sam friend is to goe with willam Benet to bounden out this Grownd in the wholl lump being ordered by the Plantation

Yet is Agread upon by the Inhabetents of the Plantation that Goodman Jones is to have the house wherein he lives and the marsh with the ground that Doth be long — that is to say if he lives and Dy a — then the sayd persil of land Doth belong to him his Ayers or executors after his — the Inhabitents of the plantation — to have this liberty to purchest it — same as formerly yet was minestry and to pay for as it shall — be worth by Indiferent men that by nother plantation this was done — Anno dom 1661

#### Manchester march

At a towne meating y<sup>e</sup> 10: 1: 1662      It is agreed by the In-

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habitents of y<sup>e</sup> plantation that the land behind the pan at the hether most coves is giving and confermed to thomas Jones Samuell Allen John Peckworth Sam peckworth Joseph peckworth Aron Bennet Onesephorous Allen theas ar to have theare land and the remayner that is left by them — at are ten out of the Plantation givinge to theas heare above mentioned what is within the bounds but it is to be understood y<sup>t</sup> the owners of y<sup>e</sup> — meddow that is Joyning to — land shall not be hendered in the making or mowing and caring out there hay and makeing — if any small fencing — year 1668 the Inhabitents  
thayt y<sup>e</sup> under written  
Selectmen Manchester





ing men thomas Jones

Willam Allen sen<sup>r</sup>

Samuell Friend June 68

Thomas Luvell was chousen

cunstabell the yere 68

72

19 of August John Pickworth

chousen Comestioner

in y<sup>e</sup> rate

October 25 70

Granted to Samuell Friend sum ground at Kettell Island marshes Joyning to his marsh by Samuell Allens marsh y<sup>t</sup> is in y<sup>e</sup> swamp by y<sup>e</sup> nect and the marshes y<sup>t</sup> be — is as far as his marsh between Willam Allen and Samuell Allens marsh and the leingth to y<sup>e</sup> — that is nex to Captain —

Willam Bennet John Pickworth — and John Siblee are to oversee the cuting and of y<sup>e</sup> geting y<sup>e</sup> timber for the building of y<sup>e</sup> meat- ing house and see if any man neglect — acording to y<sup>e</sup> tim apoynted unless he give a sefishent reason for being absent he or they shall pay five shillens for his neglect

this is generell for — by all the inhabitants

In the devision of the marshes

Samuell friend is nex to willam Allen sin<sup>r</sup> at y<sup>e</sup> hether most Cove by y<sup>e</sup> great p pan — the firther most marsh betwene willam Allen and Samuell Allen and in Deveison beyond Joyning to Goodman Jones marsh thare is another parcele of marsh y<sup>t</sup> is not it divided in ptikeller that lyeth in Generall to som pticuler psons among whom Samuell friend is to have a sheare Manchester 1672 towne meating y<sup>e</sup> 19 of y<sup>e</sup> month Agust

Leach chosen for to serve in y<sup>e</sup>

Jury & willam Bennet Sam Friend

for Selectmen

— y<sup>e</sup> 12 month 72 it was generell — upon at a towne meateing that — house shall be builded 18 foot — cepting stud with too Gabell ends — at y<sup>e</sup> landing place by — the inhabetents ar to come to — lumber this day fortnight

M<sup>r</sup> Willam Benet Cunstabell in yere 1662 must be accountabell

£ s d

to the townsmen for a towne Rate of 2 11 8

townsmen

John Pickworth

Robert Leach

Samuel friend

y 13 : 4 : 73 It is ordered by y<sup>e</sup> inhabetents of y<sup>e</sup> plantation y<sup>e</sup> if any were absent at any pblike meeting or towne worke he or they who ever so absent should pay meate

Manchester The 10 of y<sup>e</sup> 12 month 72 at a town meeting it was yt Robert Leach John Pickworth—ar to meet with beverly men for the—out y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwene Manchester and beverly the last of march—

It is further ordered that—John norman Willam Benet—John p— are to have a parsel of land — nere gardners farm which — by estimation Som thurty or forty acurs Sam Allen— with the townsmen for the—

It is also ordered that—Richard norman Samuell—Benimen peckworth Willam — ar to have that parsell of — behind the Pan that comes—goodman Joneses marsh that—water being the west bounds — goes to cape pan bounds at — if Goodman Benet—swamp above of cape an—

#### New England Manchester

met with y<sup>e</sup> neighboring towne of beverly — and towne of manchester—within sertefied & have agreed—upon y<sup>e</sup> medel of y<sup>e</sup> creek junction — creek & to examine the same & review—at y<sup>e</sup> hed of y<sup>e</sup> creek from—whit oke up to y<sup>e</sup> lower end of y<sup>e</sup> swamp to be y<sup>e</sup> standing bound—two towne y<sup>e</sup> men from beverly—to y<sup>e</sup> men apointed & impowered — settell y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwen beverly—

manchester

Willam Benet

Willam D—

ins

Robert Leach

Willam L—

John peckworth

Nicklous—

John Siblee

bounding for beverly

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### MANCHESTER TOWN BOOK

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1686

Being the third Book of Records, wherein are entered Town and Selectmens meetings, with what has been acted therein, also other affaires of said town till this present year, *annoque domini*

1724 J. D. J<sup>n</sup> C.

This was written by Jabez Dodge Town Clerk  
above is a true copy E. W. Leach







We whose names are subscribed belonging to the Church & Town of Salem (being straitened in our accomidations soe that wee are not able comfortably to subsist: haveing advised and taken Councell about our p<sup>re</sup>sent estate & condition it being Judged fitt & free liberty being granted us to remove, and noe place being soe convenient for our easy removall as Jefferyes Creek lying soe neere us & most of us having some small quantity of ground allotted to us there also Doe therefore Joyntly & humbly request the Hon<sup>bl</sup> Court to give us power to erect a village there & to allow us such inlargment thereabouts: as is not granted to any other plantation Thus Leaving our request to y<sup>r</sup> wisdom & consideration with our pray<sup>s</sup> for a blessing from heaven on y<sup>r</sup> psons & proceedings wee rest y<sup>r</sup> Humble petitioners

|  |                         |                |     |
|--|-------------------------|----------------|-----|
| 1640   | william walton          | John pickworth | /   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>mo</sup>                                   | John Black              | John Gally     | ✓   |
| The petition is granted & referred to m <sup>r</sup> John Winthrop | wm. Allen               | Ben: parmster  | ✓   |
| Jun <sup>r</sup> & m <sup>r</sup> Symond Bradstreet                | Sam <sup>l</sup> Archer | Robert Allen   | ✓   |
| to settle the bounds   | Geo Norton              | Edmond Grover  | ✓   |
| F Curiam Increase nowell   | wm. Dixy                | pasco foot     | ✓   |
|  | John Sibly              | wm: Benett     | ✓   |
|  | James Standish          | John norman    | ✓   |
| Secretary  | John freind             |                | 17. |

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Manchester land granted for a village

This document was recovered from the records of the state January 1836, by me E. W Leach

Bounds of the 400 acres—Town Landing

[11] According to an agreement made at a town meeting between the town and the proprietors of the four hundred Acurs as doth appear in the second book of the town Records baring Date the Last Day of march 1684: that a committee then at said meeting being chosen and fuly Impowered to Renew lay out Ratifie and Confirm the bounds of the said four hundred Acurs which was formerly Granted and layd out to the predicesers of those that are now in posesion of the abov s<sup>d</sup> land: namely Samuell frind whose part threof of the said four hundred Acurs is forty Acurs: and william

170 Allen twenty-five Acurs : and John Sibly fifty Acurs : and Joseph  
 pickworth thirty Acurs : and Samuell Leach fifty Acurs : and Rob-  
 ert Leach thirty-seaven Acurs and a half and John normon ninty-  
 tew Acurs and a half and nicholas vincson twenty-five Acurs  
 and Samuell Allen sen<sup>r</sup> twenty-five Acurs and onisiphrus Allen  
 20 twenty-five Acurs : according to the grant at first to there predi-  
 25 sesors but thes said predisesors giving or granting out of the whole  
 30 qantity of the said four hundred Acurs : to the qantity of about  
 35 fifteen Acurs to seavrrall persons namely to thomas bishop : John  
 40 ley Samuell Leach and Robert Leach whoe now poseseth the said  
 45 fifteen Acurs Granted by the predisesers abovsd therefore the abov-  
 50 said proprietors of the said 400 Acurs must loos the said fifteen  
 55 Acurs according to each mans proposion above mentioned : and  
 the said Committee beeing meet together on the first day of Aprell  
 on thousand six hundred eighty forth namely Samuell Allen John  
 Sibly Samuell Leach John Elithorp Aaron bennit and thomas west  
 to do the work above said have on the sd day bounded the above  
 said four hundred Acurs as foloweth to wit the first bounds is a  
 black oak marked with 4 marks and adjoyning to the north east  
 side of Leys Lot and from sd blaick oak north easterly to a white  
 oak marked with 2 marks and from sd oak north easterly to a  
 hemlock marked with 2 marks neer millits swamp and from sd  
 hemlok north easterly to a black oak marked with 4 marks it  
 being a corner bounds at that place and from thenc easterly to  
 a Letell white pine marked with 4 marks standing by the edge  
 of the brook abov Joans his medow and from said pine downward  
 the sd land is bounded with the medow to a hemlock tree stand-  
 ing a Letell above the Cold spring marked with 2 marks and from  
 sd hemlock cros the pond or medow south easterly to another hem-  
 lock marked with 2 marks and from thenc in or nere the same range  
 to a white oak marked with 2 marks standing on the south side of  
 the point called by the name of bishops point and from thenc cros  
 the fresh medow south easterly to another white oak marked with  
 2 marks standing by the medow side and from sd oak sd Land is  
 bounded by y<sup>e</sup> medow to a grate hemlock tree being a bounds of frinds  
 farm and from sd bounds frinds farm is the bounds tell it coms  
 to an old Ded tree with a heap of stons about it the sd tree being  
 the south west bounds of frinds farm and from thenc south west or  
 their abouts to a grate white oak marked with 4 marks and stand-





ing upon the edge of a baink on the east of baby rack beach being the southermost bounds of Leach his Lot and from sd tree Cros the Neck north west or there about to a burtch stump standing near a steep baink nere the River side and is the south west bounds of Leach his Lot afors<sup>d</sup> and from s<sup>d</sup> burtch stump to a pine stump by Leys Lot near the town bridg and from s<sup>d</sup> stump to the black oak first mentioned to the s<sup>d</sup> 400 Acurs: It is also agreed by the above said commettee that notwithstanding the Landing Place at the water side blow the town bridge be in the s<sup>d</sup> four hundred Acurs as also the Land and medow bought of the Joanses by the Town for the ministry: also a way a Chart way from the town Comans thro the four hundred Acurs where the way now is that gose to the seader swap and Likewise the way that gose to and through the brushee plain the said ways to Remain to the towns use from the s<sup>d</sup> Coman land to the water side at the Landing Plase below the bridge afors<sup>d</sup>: the said town to have and to hold the said ways for ever: and also six Acurs of land or there abouts in the plain in and near the place called mellits lot these the above mentioned premises is Reserved to the use of the town to have and to hold for ever and there is full satisfaction with a lowance out of the town Coman land aded to the aforesaid four hundred Acurs in Lue of the afore said premisses and comprehended withi<sup>n</sup> the afore said bounds of the said four hundred Acurs as is now bounded by the said committee

Samuell Allen

Aronn Bennitt

John Siblee

Thomas West

Samuell Leach

John Elathorp

[19] Y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1661 Att a towne meettinge at Manchester it was ordered & agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> plantation as in y<sup>e</sup> first book of records doth apear y<sup>t</sup> Samuel freend is to have y<sup>e</sup> Little Iland y<sup>t</sup> is joining to his marsh att y<sup>e</sup> great neck of Land whear they now plant this was granted to him with y<sup>e</sup> general consent of y<sup>e</sup> plantation this is a true copy taken out of y<sup>e</sup> first book of Records by me Thomas Tewxbery Clar.

Att a towne meettinge y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1668 it was confirmed by most of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants y<sup>t</sup> were theer mett y<sup>t</sup> in consideration of sum ground y<sup>t</sup> they make use of for a buriall place which was Samuel frends owne Land posed & planted by him, in Lieu theirof, he is to have a neck of Land y<sup>t</sup> lies betwene y<sup>e</sup> Samill & his Island

upon which now his house doth stand which was granted formerly but being confirmed & now recorded this is A true copy taken out of y<sup>e</sup> first book of records by me. Thomas Tewxbery Clar.

[6] The testimony of Thomas west & John Elithorp. [1679]

These Deponents testifie that the current standing price of Coard wood at the landing place at Kettle Cove is & have beene from time to time four shillings 6<sup>d</sup> acoard in Currant money sworn July 7: 79: before Daniell Denison

August 25: 79 Copia vera                      atester                      Daniell Denison  
Hilliard Veren clerk

Vera Copia of y<sup>e</sup> copy on file in Salem Court records

——Atest copia——Robert Low cler:

Vera Copia atested              Edward Rawson sectr:

Vera Copia atested              Hilliard Veren cler:

The testimony of John Abbett & John Knight testifie that the wood which onesipherous Allen & Samuell Leach Jun<sup>r</sup> & Robert Knight for Illegall carrying away the same wood was cutt upon & fetched away from Robert Knight farm formerly caled by the name of m<sup>r</sup> Blindmons farm as appears by Glocester Records: & wee know that there was noe other wood fetched, from thence the last winter & whereas they sweare it was fetched from manchester comons, we affirm that there was noe such thing Done: nor any wood fetched but what came from the said Knights farme

given in upon their former oath taken in court at Salem: 26: 9<sup>mo</sup> 79:

Atest Hilliard Veren cler: Vera Copia atest. Hilliard Veren cler.

Vera Copia of y<sup>t</sup> copie atest Robt. Lord Cler.

Vera copi a testie: Edw: Rawson Secr:

Vera copia Atest                      Hilliard Veren Cler:

[10] Att a Generall towne Meetinge of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitents of Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> first month 167 $\frac{3}{4}$  it was agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> generall consent of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants yt y<sup>e</sup> commans is ordered as foloweth upon any Divition of comman

To Thomas Bishop a single share              1

To John Sibly too shares                              2

To William Allen Sen: a single share              1

To Samuell Leach too shares & halfe              2  $\frac{1}{2}$

To Robart Leach too shares                              2

To y<sup>e</sup> widow norman too shares                      1

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To nicholas Vincent one share & half

To Samuall Allen sen : too shares

To John west in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of his wife one share

To william Benett too shares

To y<sup>e</sup> widow pickworth too shares

To y<sup>e</sup> widow whitchar one share

To nicholas woodbery three shares y<sup>t</sup> is to say one for his farne bought m<sup>r</sup> pitts & m<sup>r</sup> mavereck y<sup>e</sup> next for y<sup>t</sup> purchas bought of Thomas Chube & y<sup>e</sup> 3 for y<sup>t</sup> he bought of m<sup>r</sup> pitts which fomerly was parmeter these 3 shares in full satisfaction for all his right & title & intrest in y<sup>e</sup> comans of Manchester To James Standige Lot one share & quarter Moses Benett one share John Elathorpe one share William Allen Jun : one share Onysiphoras Allen one share John Crow one share

A true copy taken out of y<sup>e</sup> second book of records by mee Thomas Tewxbury Clar.

[23] Att a town meetting March y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  upon a motion made to y<sup>e</sup> towne by Ginken Williams for one acker & half of land adjoyning y<sup>e</sup> land which was formerly M<sup>r</sup> pitts it was voted & agreed by y<sup>e</sup> town y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd Williams shall have on Acker & half in y<sup>e</sup> place abov sd to be laid out to y<sup>e</sup> sd Williams by y<sup>e</sup> Lott layed appointed by y<sup>e</sup> towne which Land is to be Laid out alonge by y<sup>e</sup> side of y<sup>e</sup> Land formerly pits aforsd to y<sup>e</sup> watters side to front two pole in bredth for which Land y<sup>e</sup> sd williams to promise & engage to pay unto y<sup>e</sup> towne forty shilings to say thirty shillings in goods & ten shillings in marchentable boards.

Att A meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen march y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 168 $\frac{3}{4}$  we whose names ar under written beinge appointed by ye towne to bound out to ginken Williams A parsell of Land Adjoyninge to sd ginkins Land he bought of nicholas woodbery which is in consideration of forty shilinge y<sup>e</sup> said williams pd for y<sup>e</sup> towne to y<sup>e</sup> Joanses we have on y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1682 bounded out to y<sup>e</sup> sd williams as foloweth viz a pich pine tree marked with 4 marks at ye watters side being ye bounds at y<sup>t</sup> place & from thence on a straight Line on ye south side of sd Land to A great hemlock tree marked with 4 marks it being ye corner bounds westward & from thence to a white pine marked on two sides and soe adjoyninge to his Land formerly wodberys as abovsd.

John Siblee Samuall Leach

[24.] At a towne meettinge october y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1683 y<sup>e</sup> towne then Agreed with ginkin williams for A parsell of comon land or swamp in y<sup>e</sup> lower end of sd land Adjoining to y<sup>e</sup> said Ginkin Williams his land y<sup>e</sup> northest side of it being bounded by y<sup>e</sup> Land which was formerly whitchars & at y<sup>e</sup> uper end of sd land with y<sup>e</sup> country road & y<sup>e</sup> south west side with y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes from y<sup>e</sup> country road to y<sup>e</sup> land of sd ginkens house or place formerly cald piteses y<sup>e</sup> sd ginkens to have & to hold y<sup>e</sup> sd land forever paying or cause to be paid y<sup>e</sup> sum of two pounds fifteen shillings in curent money of new England viz thirty shillings be paid to y<sup>e</sup> town on or before y<sup>e</sup> 24 of october 1683 & y<sup>e</sup> other twenty five shilings to be paid at or before the last of March 1684

[23.] Att a Towne meeting upon y<sup>e</sup> Last Day of March 1684 their was A comitty chosen Empowered with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen to lay out to fishermen all or any of sd coman land between y<sup>e</sup> country highway & black cove namely Thomas West Robart Lech John Elathorp as in y<sup>e</sup> second book of records doth apear which sd comitty with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen have laid out to Richard Lotherer upon y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of March 169<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> a small parsell of Land or house lott containing about half A Acker be it more or less bounded as foloeth by y<sup>e</sup> highways side upon y<sup>e</sup> northest corner with a stak & a rock from thence southerly to a stake & heap of stones from thence westerly to A heap of 3 stones from thence northerly along by pittmans bound tree to a stak & a rock & soo to y<sup>e</sup> first bounds which sd parsoll of land is given to sd Lotherer & his heirs forever with all y<sup>e</sup> purtenances & priviliges belonging their unto provided y<sup>e</sup> sd Lotherer doo not desist y<sup>e</sup> fishinge employ & remove his family to sum other place there to Abide before two years be compleat & ended from y<sup>e</sup> day & year of y<sup>e</sup> date heiroyf if soo then to leave it to y<sup>e</sup> towns use butt if he continue out y<sup>e</sup> term & time of sd two years then y<sup>e</sup> whole primises is & shall be to y<sup>e</sup> behoof & use of y<sup>e</sup> sd Lotherer his heirs or Assigns to dispose lett or sell for ever.

[64.] Att A towne meettinge upon y<sup>e</sup> Last Day of march 1684 their was A comittee Chosen namely Robart Leach Thomas West & John Elathorpe to joine with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen to Lay out such coman Lands as Lyeth by y<sup>e</sup> high way from woodberys farme to black cove which sd comitte have Laide out to Thomas Ayhaire a certaine trackt of Land on y<sup>e</sup> easterly side of william Horsums Lande about





a quarter of an Acker be it more or Less bounded as foloeth viz from A white pine standinge by sd ways side from thence southerly to a pich pine by A holow getinge up to woodberys hill & from thence by y<sup>e</sup> sd holow est notherly to A white oak stumpe upon a rocke from thence notherly to A heape of rocks weare Samuell Allens Dwellinge by y<sup>e</sup> ways side & from thence by y<sup>e</sup> highways side westerly to y<sup>e</sup> first bounds mentioned

[196] At a meting of the committee in manchester upon the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of aprill 1684 then Laid out to Samuell friend sixteen acurs on the brushe plaine and other land thare to Joyning for his two Devesions which is bounded as on the northeast corner with sum stons and a Stake being the west corner bounds of the parson-ag land and from thence norwesterly to a heap of stons and a stump and from thence notherly to a grate hemlock and from thence norwesterly to a small hemlock and a beach by it and from sou-westerly to a white oak and so southerly to a black oake marked with 4 marks and from thence northesterly to the stake first abov sd

John Siblee

Robberd Leach

Samuell Allin senior

And half acer of meddow at kittle cove which is bounded as olloweth viz on the south with the meddow of samuell allin est with the pond and northerly with samuell leaches meddow and westerly robberd leaches upland as also one acer and half of fresh meddow bounded southerly with vinsens meddow and upland west at a bunch of oalders with a stake in them and from thence nor-west to a bunch of oalders with a stake and northeast to a wortle bush and from thence to a bunch of oalders with a stake and so west to the bunch of oalders first above sd.

[19] Att a towne meettinge y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of march 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  it was Voted & Agreed to Lay out parte of y<sup>e</sup> comon Land proportionably to each single share five ackers by a comity chosen to y<sup>t</sup> purpose namely Thomas West Samuell Leach John Sibly Robart Leach Samuell Allen sen: John Elathorpe Thomas Tewxbery as in y<sup>e</sup> second booke of record doth Apeare we y<sup>e</sup> above said comitty be- inge Impowered by y<sup>e</sup> towne Laid out to Richard Reith to Joseph pickworth Land which said Reith bought of sd pickworth five ac- kers adjoining to sd Land from A white oake on y<sup>e</sup> west side be- inge y<sup>e</sup> corner bounds of sd Land with A heape of stones marked with 4 marks notherly to a red oake marked with 4 marks upon

side of A rocke by a Litle Swamp from thence Est northerly to A pich pine marked with fower marks from thence southerly to A white oak marked & stones nr him beinge y<sup>e</sup> old antient bounds of sd Lott

[25] Att a town meeting upon y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of march 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  their was A comitty chosen to make Devisions of sum parts of y<sup>e</sup> town comon Land as namely 5 Ackers to A single share y<sup>e</sup> comitty was Thomas West Samuel Leach Robart Leach Samuell Allen sen : John Siblor Tho : Tewxbury John Elathorp as in y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> book doth more apear which sd comity have Laid out to severall parsens namely Sam : Allen sen : Sam : Leach Robert Leach John Sibly A sertaine tract of Land Lying by y<sup>e</sup> side of wolf trap brook Sept. 1685 y<sup>e</sup> sd Allen having taken out his sd share of Land as above sd it is bounded as foloweth southerly from an old white oak near y<sup>e</sup> brook marked with 4 marks which is y<sup>e</sup> bounds of Robert Leach & John Siblee & soo west to two burches upon A rock by y<sup>e</sup> same Land of sd Leaches & Sibloes & from thence notherly to A black oak marked with 4 marks Adjoining to y<sup>e</sup> comon from thence Esterly to A black burch near y<sup>e</sup> river & soo y<sup>e</sup> river bounds to y<sup>e</sup> first bounds as aforesd y<sup>e</sup> sd Land being in quantity seaven Ackers be it more or less persuant to A towne Record voted & agreed by y<sup>e</sup> towne of Manchester for y<sup>e</sup> entering of y<sup>e</sup> names of al & every person y<sup>t</sup> doo or shall at any time or times sell convay in any maner or way his or their coman right or rights to another person for whomsoever y<sup>t</sup> is to say y<sup>e</sup> names of y<sup>e</sup> convayor & him to whome it is convayed to be farsly intered in y<sup>e</sup> sd towne book of records

these ar theirfore to declare to all persons y<sup>t</sup> Aron Benett of y<sup>e</sup> sd towne of Manchester in y<sup>e</sup> county of Essex in new England grist miller by these presents doo intend & declare he hath for himself his heirs executors & Assigns sold unto Thomas West of beverly in y<sup>e</sup> county aforesd husbandman to him his heirs executors or Assigns one coman Right to witt y<sup>t</sup> coman right which did belong to y<sup>e</sup> sd Aron his father William Benett his house Lott now in y<sup>e</sup> posesion of y<sup>e</sup> sd Aron Benett y<sup>e</sup> sd west him his heirs executors or Assigns to have & to hold y<sup>e</sup> sd comon right forever

As Atest by me Tho : Tewxbury Clar & cop

[12] Whereas the town at a town meeting on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  did then vote & agree to make a Divission of some part of there Coman Land to the quantity of about five acurs to a singall Common Right : and have Apointed A Commitee for divide-







ing & bounding of the sd Land namely Samuell Allen and Thomas twixbery and Samuel Leach John Sibly Robert Leach John Elithorp and Thomas West as apears in the second book of the town Records. We the Committee above named have meet together on the second day of Aprill 1685 and layd out and bounded severall Lots as foloweth Viz. Laid out to Samuel Leach Robert Leach and John Sibly twenty Acurs bein more or less and is bounded on the west with their own land they had before and from thenc easterly to a white oak tree marked with four marks and standing on the litell Plain by the highway near clay brook and from thenc southerdly to a litell beach standing on the north side of the highway and marked with four marks and from said beach tree west ward by the medow fenc: and the sd Sam Leach Robert Leach and John Sibly hath each on a like propotion in the sd twenty Acurs of land in and nere y<sup>e</sup> brushy plain as it is now bounded above said.

2dly. Laid out to twelve persons eighty on Acurs and a quarter and is bounded as foloweth to wit on the east with their own land called the four hundred Acurs and on the northeast corner of said land is bounded with a plum tree marked with four marks and on the northwest corner with a hemlock marked with four marks and from thenc southerdly to a hemlock marked with four marks and from sd hemlok easter to a white oak marked and is the corner bounds of his Leys land and from sd white oak farther easterly to a black oak marked and being a bounds of the four hundred acurs the persons to home the sd eighty on acres and quarter of land be it more or less is laid out and bounded to: as the proprietors thereof: are these with each and every pesons propotion sd land: namely

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|---|---------------------|--|
| 1 | To onisephrus Allen | five Acurs                             |
| 1 | To William Allen    | five Acurs                             |
| 1 | To Widow Allen      | five Acurs                             |
|   | To John Sibly       | three Acurs & a third part of on Acur. |
|   | To nicolas Vinsen   | seven Acurs & half                     |
|   | To Samuel frind     | ten Acurs                              |
|   | To Samuel Leach     | elaeven Acurs & 2 therds of Acur.      |
|   | To Robert Leach     | five Acurs                             |
|   | To John normon      | eight acres & three quartes of on Acur |
|   | To Thomas bishop    | five Acurs                             |

To Samuel Allen Sen.      ten Acurs

To John Masten              five Acurs

[13] 3dly. Laid out to the Widow West five Acurs be it more or less and is bounded on the south end with the bounds of her lot and on the northwest corner with a white oak marked with four marks it being the same white oak tree that is before mentioned as a bounds to the twelve proprietors and there called by the name of Leys bounds and from thenc easterly to a white oak marked.

4thly. Laid out to the Widow Bennit: moses bennit and Aron bennit twenty Acurs be it more or less bounding at the south end with the bounds of their own lot and from thenc northerdly to a hemlok marked with four marks and from thenc easterly to a white oak marked.

5thly. Laid out to manesas Marstun five Acurs be it more or less and is bounded on the South with the way that cometh to the plase called by the name of the old wheels where logs were brought for the saw mill and from said plase by the edge of the medow northerdly to a hemlok tree marked with 4 marks & from sd hemlok easterly to a maple tree marked with 4 marks & from said maple southerdly to a hemlok marked with 4 marks standing on the north side of the aforesaid way.

6thly. Layd out to Thomas West five Acurs be it more or less and is bounded on the south westerly side with the land which he had laid out to him by the selectmen of the town in may 31: the year 1683 as apears in the 2<sup>nd</sup> book of the town Records: and on the northeast corner of sd land at the lower end now to the chart way is a shrubed black oak tree marked with 4 marks and is the bounds of sd land at that place: and from sd black oak north west or thereabouts to a red oak marked with 2 marks and being a side bounds of sd land and from sd red oak tree northwest or thereabouts to a pine tree standing upon or near a Rock upon a hill the said pine being marked with 4 marks and being the upermost end corner bounds of sd land & from the said pine to run to the upermost corner bounds of the said west his former lot aforesaid.

7thly. Laid out to John Elithorp five Acurs be it more or less and is bounded as foloweth to wit the lower end of sd Lot is bounded with the upermost bounds of the above sd West his land he had of y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester on acompt of sd West his paing money to the Joanes and other ways: and on the West corner of





the sd Elithorp his land is bounded with a small blaick oak tree marked with four marks at the going up a hill and from sd oak north easterly to a hemlock tree marked with 4 marks these being the true bounds of sd Elithorp his first division of the sd five Acurs above sd. At a meeting of the Committee on the eight day of September 1685 namely Samuell Allen Sen. Thomas Twexbury John Siblee Samuel Leach Thomas West Robert Leach John Elithorp. firstly then Laid out to John Elithorp above sd a second division of Land the sd Land adjoining to and on the northeasterly side of his above mentioned first division this sd land it being about five Acurs be it more or less three of it is on the account of his division Right: and the other part of it for mony & work disbursed for the town use. the upermost westerly bounds of sd Land is the hemlock above mentioned to his first division and from sd hemlock easterly to a small white oak marked and from sd oak south or thereabouts to a pine tree marked & being west above sd his bounds allso.

Secondly [14] Laid out by the Committee before named to Thomas West too small pasells of Land the one on the northeast side and adjoining the sd West his first division & is bounded on the south eastern corner with a shrubed black oak mentioned and is a bounds to sd West his first division and from the sd oak north easterly to a maple tree marked with fore marks and from sd maple northwest or thereabouts to a small walnut tree marked with four marks and from sd Walnut tree to a horn beam tree marked and south west or thereabouts and standing at the north east end of a grate Rock: and so the long Rock bounding the sd land so far as the sd long Rock extends Westward and from the west end of sd rock south west or thereabouts to a white prity bigg pine tree and standing upon a grate high Rock which is Almost to the Admiration of them that doe behold it sd pine being marked and from sd pine and rock near the same course before mentioned to a Litel black oak tree marked with fore marks and is the bounds of sd West his farm sd tree standin in the farm line these bounds Comprehend both pasell as above sd the one of them being a small corner and hill of Rocks liing between sd West his farm and Elithorp his first division the sd West having bought both Elithorps lots or pasells of land laid out to him mentioned on the other side of this leaf: these small pasells of Land thus laid out and bounded to the sd West is three Acurs of it for his devision Right and the Rest being about

the same quantity or be it more or less to satisfy him for money disbursed by him for the use of the town and that all and every of the pasells of Land either by Divesion of Comon Rights or other ways purchased of the town by sd West and the too pasells of land he had of elithorpe as above sd is all Comprhended and lying and bounded with the bounds above named and the sd West his farm : and the Land of Joseph Woodbery.

Secondly Laid out to Joseph Woodbery by the sd Committee nineteen Acurs of Land and rocky ground the sd Land Adjoining to the farm of sd Woodbery and the land being other ways bounded as foloweth to Witt the first bounds is a white pine marked with four marks and standing in the line bounds of sd Woodberys farm and being the southwest bounds of the sd nineteen Acurs and from sd pine northward to a white oak tree marked with four marks and W and from sd oak northeast or more easterly to a black oak tree marked with four marks and W and from sd black oak south or thereabouts to a white oak marked with four marks and standing in the sd Woodbury his farm line the sd land thus bounded being nineteen Acurs be it more or less it being laid out to the sd Woodbery in the Division of Comon Rights already divided the sd Woodbery having tew Common Rights belonging to his farm the Commoners having agreed to make a [15] Division firstly of five Acurs to a Single Rite & Secondly three Acurs to a Single Rite so that sixteen Acurs of the sd nineteen for his division Rite of Comon Land and the other three Acurs is for mony disbusted for the use of the town to witt paing part of the town Debts.—We whose names are here under written being mett together y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of May in y<sup>e</sup> year of our Lord 1686 for & in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of our towns Wenham & Manchester respecting to settle y<sup>e</sup> bounds of y<sup>e</sup> Coman Land y<sup>t</sup> lyeth eastward of y<sup>e</sup> pond called pleasant pond and westward of y<sup>e</sup> pine tree which is y<sup>e</sup> corner bounds between Ipswich & Manchester & so straight over to a white oak tree standing in or near to y<sup>e</sup> line from y<sup>e</sup> end of sd pond to Chubs Creek marked with W. & we have agreed to begin y<sup>e</sup> devitinael line of bounds between us at y<sup>e</sup> sd white oak tree aforesd which tree is sett about with stones & soo to run upon a straight line to y<sup>e</sup> stumpe of a great pine tree in or near to Ipswich line called & knowne by y<sup>e</sup> name of Dodge's tree and near about upon a square from y<sup>e</sup> whit oak at y<sup>e</sup> end of y<sup>e</sup> sd pine & all y<sup>t</sup> part of y<sup>e</sup> sd coman y<sup>t</sup> Lyeth estward of y<sup>e</sup> sd line doth belong to Manchester & y<sup>t</sup> part y<sup>t</sup> Lyeth westerly doth







belong to Wenham & this to be a final settlement of y<sup>e</sup> bounds of our townships forever as wittness our hand y<sup>e</sup> day & year above written John Sibly Samuel Leach John Lee Richard Hutton walter fairfield John Bachelor.

[16] September the eight in the year of our Lord 1685

Wee whose names are under written being impowered by the Town of manchester as a Committee to lay out according to a town order as apears in the second Book of town Records bearing date the seventh of September 1685 a Division of Coman Land to each Commoner Acording to his or their proposion mentioned in the said order as allso to pay such in Land for their charges they were out about seteling bounds between Ipswich and our town the said Committee have therefore on the above said eight day of September 1685 laid out all that parsell of Land lying on the East of Ketell Cove pond between wolf trap brook and Knights his farm and Glosester bounds with a small parsell of Coman land lieing between the sd brook and the land of Aron bennits to the uper end of sd bennits Land to three burch trees standing upon a Rok marked and being sd bennits bounds allso : and from sd burches to a white oak marked with four marks and standing in the range of Gloster line on the south side of wolfe trap brook near the sd brook : the sd Land within all these bounds above said is Laid out and disposed unto as foloweth, viz : to Samuel Allen Senr. nine Acurs viz six Acurs upon the division of his Common Right and three Acurs to satisfie his charges one about setelling the line between Ipswich & our town 2ly to Samuell Leach nine Acurs : six upon the Acompt of his Common Right and three Acurs to satisfie him for his charges about Ipswich & our town lines or bounds 3ly to John Sibly nine Acurs upon the same Account as above sd. 4ly to Robert Leach nine Acurs as above sd so that each and every of them hath a like sheer in this division & Lowance for charges. And the Remainder of the sd Land within the above sd bounds with all the neck lying between the Cove or sea and the pond above sd : wee the sd Committee have for and in behalf of the town of manchester and our selves : sould to John Sibly & Samuel Leach & Robert Leach all the Remainder of Land with the neck as afore sd with the wood : timber and what soever Apurtainances either upon the sd Land or do belong thereto we the sd Committee as aforesaid do upon this day above written for and in the behalf of the town above sd them their heirs and we our heirs sell unto the

above named them their heirs all the above sd Remainder of Land and nek to have and to hold for ever which sd land being sold to the partys above named to value of five pounds in marchentable boards paid to the town of manchesters use by the above sd John Sibly Samuel Leach & Robert Leach And we the sd committee do Reserve a way a sufficient chart way where it may be most convenient from the Coman Land of manchester for the towns use through the above sd Land sold or divided the sd way to come to the Cove above sd where it is most convenient for a Landing place which is allowed to be half an Acur for the towns use both the way and the sd Landing places to have and to hold for use to the sd town.

Samuel Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>  
 Thomas Twixbery  
 Thomas West  
 John Elithorp.

[20] Att a towne meeting on y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1685 Itt was then voted & agreed to lay out to each single share three ackers by y<sup>e</sup> aforsd comitty, namely Thomas West John Elithorp Thomas Tewxbery Samuel Leach John Sibly Robert Leach Samuel Allen Sen: which being impowered Laid out to Thomas Tewxbery three Ackers be it more or less bounded from the red oak by y<sup>e</sup> sampe as aforsd notherly to a white oak tree marked with 4 marks with y<sup>e</sup> Leter T from thence northeasterly to A great hemlock marked with 4 marks, from thence southerly to y<sup>e</sup> aforsd pich pine, being y<sup>e</sup> corner bounds of y<sup>e</sup> other Division marked with 4 marks

[24] Att A town meeting y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of September 1685 their was then granted by y<sup>e</sup> towne to ginken williams all y<sup>e</sup> peece of comon Land y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd ginkens have taken in with his fence upon y<sup>e</sup> knole before his house upon condition y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd williams doe make a suitable cartway from y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goeth to pites from sd way over y<sup>e</sup> hill by y<sup>e</sup> outside of his fence to y<sup>e</sup> next valow & also to Allow a foot way cross his land whear y<sup>e</sup> way now goes from black cove & maintain A gate or a suefishent pair of bars in his fence in y<sup>e</sup> way to pites to y<sup>e</sup> Landing place which y<sup>e</sup> town have & doe reserve for y<sup>e</sup> towns use it being A quarter of an Acker or their abouts most convenient to y<sup>e</sup> watter for transportation. These fower copys are taken out of y<sup>e</sup> second booke of Records.

As a true Atest by me Thomas Tewxbury Clar:

To y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester Greeting this is to sertife to ye pro-





prietors heirof y<sup>t</sup> ginken williams of y<sup>e</sup> town aforsd have sold Aly-nated & confirmed unto Samuel corninge of beverly sur of y<sup>e</sup> same County of Essex three fowrths parts of All y<sup>e</sup> right & title of all my interest in y<sup>e</sup> coman Lands y<sup>t</sup> now is pertaining Lying or being in y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester too Witt three quarters of y<sup>e</sup> coman Right belonging to y<sup>e</sup> late nicholas woodbery bought of pitises north parmsters & I y<sup>e</sup> sd ginken williams for y<sup>e</sup> true performance of y<sup>e</sup> same have bound myself my heirs executers administraters & assigns to y<sup>e</sup> above sd corning his heirs & Assigns & in a deed of salle is more at large exprest bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 1694

As Atest by me Thomas Tewxbery Clar :

Whereas their hath been Articles of Agreement drawn & concluded betweene nicholas vincent once a Liver in y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester & John noltan sen: of Ipswich bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1692 y<sup>e</sup> sd agreement wittneseth y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd vincent have made over & resigned up all his right & title in all houses & Lands with all apurtenances belonging their unto which said vincent ever had in y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester to y<sup>e</sup> sd noltan his heirs & executors for ever wherein noltan is become an inhabitant in Manchester.

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Atest Thomas Tewxbery

[20] Att A town meeting y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> day of March 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  it was then voted & agreed by y<sup>e</sup> town to make a division of sum parsells of y<sup>e</sup> townes coman Land y<sup>t</sup> is neare adjoining or lying convenient to each m<sup>ans</sup> property to y<sup>e</sup> quantity of 5 Ackers to a single share at y<sup>e</sup> said town meeting was chosen a comity to lay out every mans proposhion viz: Samuel Allen sen: Thomas Tewxbery Samuel Leach John Sibly Robert Leach John Elathorp who wear Anually chosen & fully impowered by y<sup>e</sup> towne to lay out y<sup>e</sup> sd Land as above sd which sd comitty or y<sup>e</sup> major part of them have laid out unto ginken Williams for one single-share 5 Ackers bounded with A white oak marked with 4 marks upon y<sup>e</sup> south west corner near whitcher & woodburys Lott & soe nort east easterly to a white oak marked with 4 marks & soe run its full breadth from these 2 trees north westerly as far as will make good sd 5 Ackers to sd Williams.

[21] Att A towne meettinge upon y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1685 it was then voted & agreed to make a Division of comon Lande namely three Ackers to a single share & to be Laid oute & Devided by y<sup>e</sup> comity which Laid out y<sup>e</sup> former Divisions of five ackers namely Samuell Allen Sen: Thomas Tewxbery Samuell Leach Robart Leach Thomas west John Sibly John Elathorpe as in

y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> book of records more apeare which sd comitty have Laid out to ginken williams one parsell of Swampe be it three Ackers more or Les bounded as foloweth one y<sup>e</sup> estward with y<sup>e</sup> country highway one y<sup>e</sup> South with John crows Lot one y<sup>e</sup> west with Joseph woodberys Lot on y<sup>e</sup> east with witchers Lott

[22] We whose names ar underwritten being apointed from Ipswich & manchester to renue y<sup>e</sup> bounds between our towns respectively Acording to order mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of this instant Att a tree marked with I & M. formerly agreed upon by both parties or our predisors for our Stake bounds & trased y<sup>e</sup> line & renewed y<sup>e</sup> bounds before made between us from y<sup>e</sup> tree 6 ft & half a pointe northerly near to y<sup>e</sup> seder swamp & then from a rock with a walnut & white oak near y<sup>e</sup> swamp before mentioned we trased y<sup>e</sup> line 6 ft & halfe a pointe southerly throu y<sup>e</sup> seder swamp to y<sup>e</sup> top of a hill to y<sup>e</sup> stump of y<sup>e</sup> old dry pine before agreed on & on y<sup>t</sup> course y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> we trased & renewed & finished y<sup>e</sup> line unto y<sup>e</sup> heap of rocks formerly raised erected & stated to be y<sup>e</sup> corner bounds whear Ipswich & Gloster meett & Ipswich & Manchester and as witnes our hands this 27<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> 1686

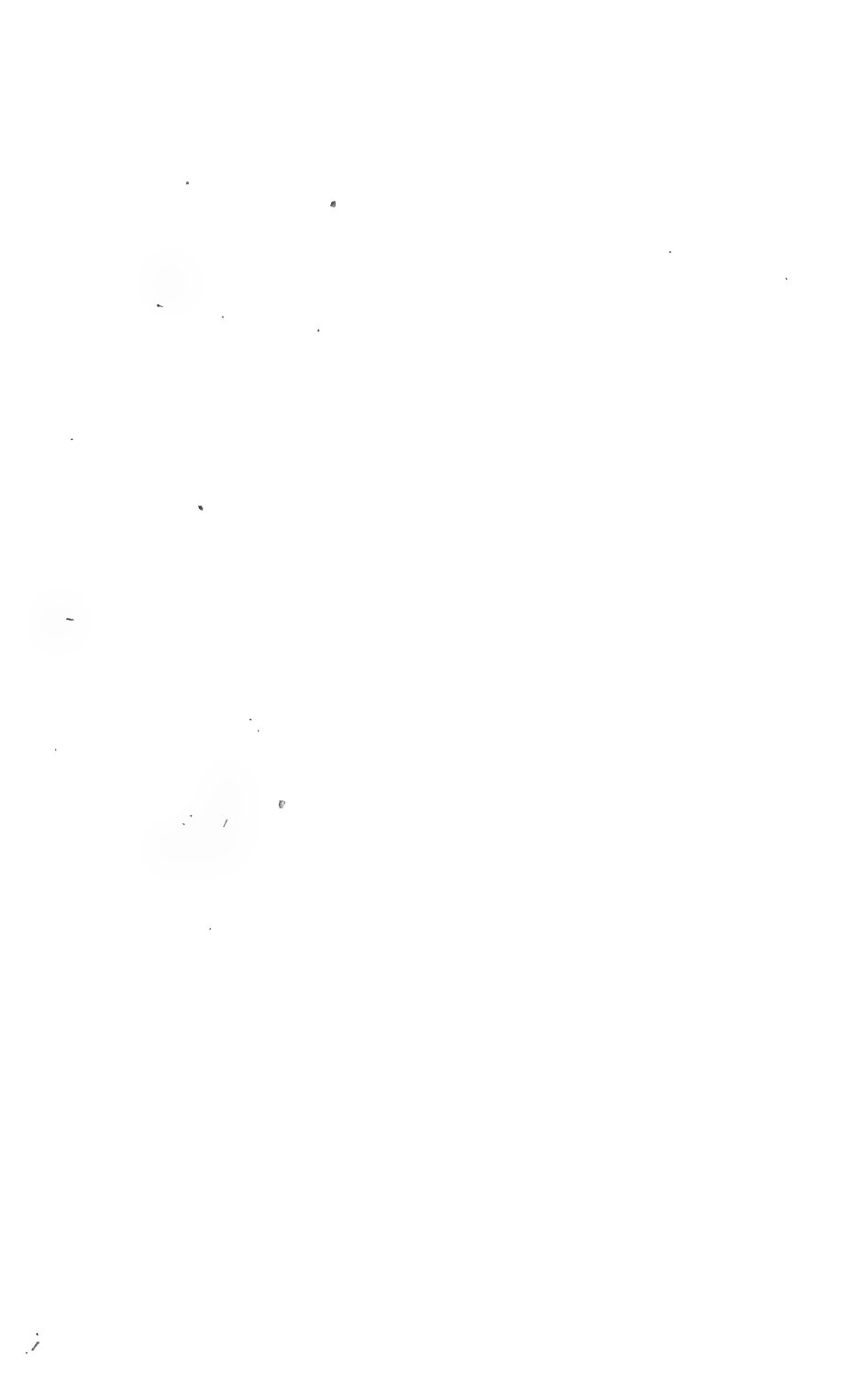
Apointed from Manchester Samuell Leach }  
John Ley }

{ Apointed from Ipswich Thomas Wade  
{ William Goodhew Robert Kinsman Daniell Ringe

[27] A Rate made by the select men and Committe<sup>e</sup> of manchester on the therteenth Day of Agust 1686 for mr John Winborn his maintainance and firewood for the therd and forth quarters of his year the sd therd qurter begining the first Day of May 1686; the said Rate Amounting to therteen pounds a leaven shillings and nine penc to be paid in mony.

|                    |          |                            |          |
|--------------------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| Robert Knight senr | 00-09-06 | John Elithorp              | 00-07-06 |
| John Cro           | 00-09-00 | Thomas Roas                | 00-05-00 |
| onisephrus Allen   | 00-10-09 | Thomas Tweexbery           | 00-12-06 |
| William Allen      | 00-11-06 | Thomas West                | 00-13-00 |
| John Sibly         | 00-18-06 | John Normon                | 00-05-00 |
| Samuel Leach       | 00-19-00 | M <sup>r</sup> Ambrus Gale | 00-02-00 |
| Robert Leach       | 00-19-00 | M <sup>r</sup> John Codner | 00-02-00 |
| Thomas Bishop      | 00-08-06 | Cornnit marstun            | 00-02-00 |
| Nicholas Vincson   | 00-07-00 | Elections Renalls          | 00-04-06 |
| Samuell Allen Senr | 00-15-00 | Samuell Allen Junr         | 00-04-06 |
| Ephraim Joans      | 00-04-00 | Robert Saberlen            | 00-04-06 |







|                 |          |                    |          |
|-----------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| John Ley        | 00-13-10 | Christipher Cro    | 00-04-06 |
| Mark Tricker    | 00-08-00 | Richerd haiz       | 00-04-06 |
| Aaron bennit    | 00-13-02 | John meason        | 00-04-06 |
| John Knight     | 00-03-00 | Robert knight Junr | 00-04-06 |
| Ginkin Williams | 00-07-06 | Richerd hulton     | 00-03-00 |
| James Pittman   | 00-06-06 |                    | 04-03-06 |
| Richerd Glas    | 00-05-00 | Sum totall         | 09-08-03 |
|                 | 09-08-03 | of this Rate is    | 13-11-09 |

John Sibly  
 Robert Leach  
 John Elithorp  
 Robert Knight  
 Thomas West

by the select  
 men and Committee

To Constable Aron Bennit you are to take notice that the abov written bill of Assessments is for the paiement of the Town of Manchesters ingagements to Mr John Winborn and is to be paid in mony so that the wholl sum of therten pounds be fully paid unto said Mr. Winbon by the last of october next and the Remainder eleven shillings and nine penc you are to pay in unto the Select men for Defraing other town charges

manchester this 14<sup>th</sup> September 1686

John Sibly in the name and pr order of the Selectmen To Aron bennit Constable of manchester you are hereby Required in his Majesties name to Colect of the Inhabitants of your town these men above written and make paiement of the Same to Mr. John Winborn or his order at or before the tim: prefixt and if any Refuse to pay these proposions of this bill of Assessments you may leavy the same by Distress for which this shall be your warent fail not dated in Salem this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1686 Barthewmy Gidny

This above writen was compared with the originall bill of assessments bearing Date as above sd and is true with the same and delivered to the Constable above named on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1686

as Atest by John Sibly      select men of  
 John Elithorp      manchester

[20] November, y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1686 This present writting witnes y<sup>t</sup> whereas their was a bargin formerly made betweene Abram whit-char of Manchester Deseased & John pickworth of sd town new En-

gland to witt, y<sup>t</sup> ye sd Abram did agree y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd pickworth shall have Libertie for a way A cartaway through ye sd whitchars his Land from y<sup>e</sup> country highway to y<sup>e</sup> watters side for his use to him & his heirs for ever upon which consideration y<sup>t</sup> sd pickworth did satisfie y<sup>e</sup> sd whitchars in Land for y<sup>e</sup> sd way by removing his bounds next to whitchars Land into y<sup>e</sup> sd pickworths own Land which was to y<sup>e</sup> full satisfaction of sd Abram abovsd for his sd highway & y<sup>t</sup> I John Knites & mary my wife which sd John was relex to y<sup>e</sup> abovsd Abram doe heirby these presents make good & confirm y<sup>e</sup> former bargain Abovsd doth for our selves our heirs & assigns for ever to him y<sup>e</sup> sd pickworth his heirs & suckers for ever as wittnes our hands the 18<sup>th</sup> day of november 1686 ye mark ( of John Knits witness Mary knites x her mark

Thomas West } this is a true copy of ye originall  
 John Sibly } Attest by me  
 John Elathorp } Thomas Tewxbery

clar :

[29] At a Generall town meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1686 & legally warned There was then chosen for Selectmen for one whole year insuing from the date above written for the town : Robert Knight sener Samuel Leach & John Ley At the same town meeting James Pittman was chosen Constable for the town for on whole year insuing the date of this meeting At the same meeting there was then nominated by the town Mr. William Winborn to serve in the place of a clerk for the town to take & record true Records of the bearthis of the children that are & shall be born in said town & also of all Deaths of the persens allready diseased or that shall die & therein to act as the Law directs.

[28] A Rate made by the sealectmen of manchester this 14<sup>th</sup> day of Martch 1688 for the use and support of his maiesties government in new england.

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|----------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Robbert knite senior | 00-01-01 | mark tricker         | 00-01-00 |
| robbert knite Junior | 00-00-09 | John pasonell        | 00 01-01 |
| oniseferynos allin   | 00-00-10 | Jenkin williams      | 00-01-00 |
| william allin        | 00-00-10 | John elithrop        | 00-01-10 |
| Samuel Leach         | 00-01-06 | thomas tuksbery      | 00-01-02 |
| John Sibly           | 00-01-06 | richard glass        | 00-00-08 |
| robbard leach        | 00-01-06 | thomas roas          | 00-00-09 |
| thomas bishop        | 00-00-06 | richard haye         | 00-00-08 |
| nicolous vinson      | 00-00-09 | samoell allin iunior | 00-00-08 |





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|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------|
| Samoel allin seinor | 00-01-00 | christopher crowell | 00 00-08       |
| Ephrim Jons         | 00-00-07 | waletar parmiter    | 00-00-09       |
| nahen allin         | 00-00-08 | Jeams reeves        | 00-00-06       |
| John Ley            | 00-01-02 | elections rennols   | 00-00-06       |
| aron bennet         | 00-01-01 | John normon         | 00-01-03       |
| Ins. Ambroos gale   | 00-01-01 | John codner         | 00-00-04       |
| peter vunoe         | 00-00-06 |                     |                |
|                     |          |                     | <hr/> 01 07 02 |

a rate made by the sealect men amounting to one pound seven shillings and 2 pence sealactmen

To Jeams pitman cunstable you are hereby ordered { Robbertknits  
to collect and gather the seaveral proportions above { samuel leach  
mentioned and make paiment to the treasurer as his { John Ley  
warrant Derects the sum of one pound and five shillings and four  
penc and the remander whic is one shilling and ten penc you are  
to return to the sealectmen for the use of the town

[55] At meeting of the selectmen and Commisinors of manchester 31 Day of Agust 1687 wee the said selectmen and Commissionrs having met to gather on the said Day have Acording to our town order bearing Date the eight day of Agust 1687 : taken an Invoice of the heads and estats of the prsons Rataeble in our town and it amounts to the sum of on pound four shillings and nine pence

At a meting of the select men of manchester upon the fift of march 1687 by vartey of a warnt witch came to us to serve halfe Rate amounting to four pound and thre shilings and a peny Acordingly wee have Dorn it and Dlivired it To the Constabell of the said towne John Crowell

Reseved of John Crowell constable of Manchester forty three shillings and ten pence half peney by my order to Lt Jording Made for y<sup>e</sup> county & is y<sup>e</sup> towne of Manchesters propertion to y<sup>e</sup> county Rate ffor Essex I say Reseved y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of may 1688 upon y<sup>e</sup> metting off y<sup>e</sup> select men upon ye 1 Day of June wear Then apointed John Lee & Thomas Bishop ffence fuers for this year or until others be chosen

[29] At a town meeting legually warned and met together october the third 1687 thomas tuxsbery is chosen moderator for this meeting At a Leagual town meeting in manchester october the third 1687 thomas tuxsbery was chosen Clarke to serve in the town bisnes 1687

Att a Legall Town meeting y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of november 1687 being our

yearly town meettinge for chusinge of new ofesers for our towne afaires Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderator for this meettinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same Town meettinge John Crow was Leaguallly chosen censtable for y<sup>e</sup> towne of manchester for this year ensuinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same Towne meettinge wear chosen John Sibly Robart Leach John Elathorpe Selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> town of manchester for this year ensuinge Att A Towne meettinge Desem y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1687 John Elythorpe was chosen morderator for y<sup>e</sup> same metting At y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge was voted

[31] At a town meeting in manchester on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 1687 being Legaly warned by the Constable of sd town: by virtu of a writ presented to him under the hand of John usher Esq. Treasurer for the making choice of a Commission to join with the Selectmen to take an Invoice of the heads & estates of these Ratable in our town, the sd town upon the abov sd day made choice of sargent John Sibly as a Commissioner to join with the selectmen in the abov sd work & to do therin as they shall see cause

At a town meeting Leagaly warned & houlden on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December 1687: Whereas the town being sensible of a nesesity of something to be done for the preservation of our own firewood growing upon the towns Comon Land the sd town have voted & Agreed that all the Coman Land in the sd town Lying on the south of these bounds folowing namely, from a walnut tree which is the northerly bounds of Thomas Wests Land which he had of the sd town the sd walnut tree being marked with four marks & so from sd tree northeast to a hemlock tree marked with four marks being the northwest-corner bounds of the Divissions of the brusher plain the sd tree being near vincsons baiberry medow & so from sd hemlock easterly to a pine tree marked & standing on the top of the hill where the meeting house timber was cut & so from sd pine tree east northerdly to a white oak marked standing on the east of woolf trap brook & being in the bounds of Gloster line all the Coman Land being on the south of these bounds as abov sd is prohibited that no person or persons belonging to the town shall have any liberty to cut or transport any cord wood or other sort of fire wood off from the abov sd coman Land to the water side unless it be on penalty of paying ten shillings in mony for every cord of wood & so for more or les quantity proposionable & the order to stand good & in full power for one whole year from the date of this present town meeting & the selectmen are to prosecute







against any person or persons that shall or may be found to cut or transport cordwood or other sort of fire wood from the comon to the water side as abov sd & what may be recovered by the Selectmen in any such prosecution shall be reserved for the use of the town [32] y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Monday May 1688.

Att y<sup>e</sup> Anuall town metting by order ffrom our Governer & counsell Intituled an act for regulating y<sup>e</sup> choice of selectmen Townesmen or overseers & other officers bearing date of y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> March 1687 was then chosen by y<sup>e</sup> major part of y<sup>e</sup> towne inhabitants of Manchester acording to law Samuell Leach Commisiner. John Sibly John Elithorp Aron Benett Thomas Tewxbery Selectmen Townsmen or Overseers Robert Knites Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable *Selectmen*

At a town meeting Legaly warned to mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 1689 Mr John Sibly was chosen Morderater for this sd meettinge. Whereas their was formerly severall grants & Divisions of Lands & medows Alotted unto several persons & bounded to them but never yet notified & Legall returns of y<sup>e</sup> severall boundariys thei of y<sup>t</sup> Doth apear upon records it is theirfore agreed by this present town meetting & voted for a comitty & are chosen viz. Samuell Allen Sen ; Samuell Leach John Sibly Robart Leach Thomas Tewxbery & Thomas West or y<sup>e</sup> majer part of them who are hereby fully impowered and apointed by this present town meetting to examine all former grants & Devisions of Lands and medows of y<sup>e</sup> severall bounds thei of & whear y<sup>e</sup> sd grant or devisions in any part or y<sup>e</sup> whole doo not apear fairly entered with y<sup>e</sup> return of y<sup>e</sup> severall boundariys thei of upon y<sup>e</sup> Lote books of y<sup>e</sup> town records y<sup>t</sup> then y<sup>e</sup> sd comity are heirby impowerd & apointed to take a survayall of such grants & devisions & to renew & make a bound or bounds to any such grants or devisions whear they ar wantinge & make their return of every & Each persens perticular grants or Divisions of Land or meadow of y<sup>e</sup> bounds thei of upon y<sup>e</sup> late town book of Records *Committee to examine the Town Records*

[33] Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting it was Voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> all ffences whear any of y<sup>e</sup> sd inhabitants doo joine in sd fence & have a dependence for their security of their sd Lands for corn grass or pasture or y<sup>e</sup> like y<sup>t</sup> each & every of sd persons ar to make up all such fence or fences suftiently by y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of Aprell next ensuinge & if any person or persons consernd in sd fence negnelct his sd proportion he shall pay y<sup>e</sup> penalty or fine of 2<sup>sh</sup>. 6<sup>d</sup> for every pole found defective by y<sup>e</sup> survayors chosen for that *fences to be made by the 20th Aprill*

work viz. onisephorus Allen & Aron Benett who ar to surway all fences to see y<sup>t</sup> they be as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs & y<sup>e</sup> penalty of 2<sup>sh</sup> & 6<sup>d</sup> the pole for any y<sup>t</sup> are defective to be paid y<sup>e</sup> one half to y<sup>e</sup> use of the town & y<sup>e</sup> other half to y<sup>e</sup> survaiors & it is to be understood all y<sup>e</sup> abov sd fences ar to be in good repair until y<sup>e</sup> last of September next ensuing

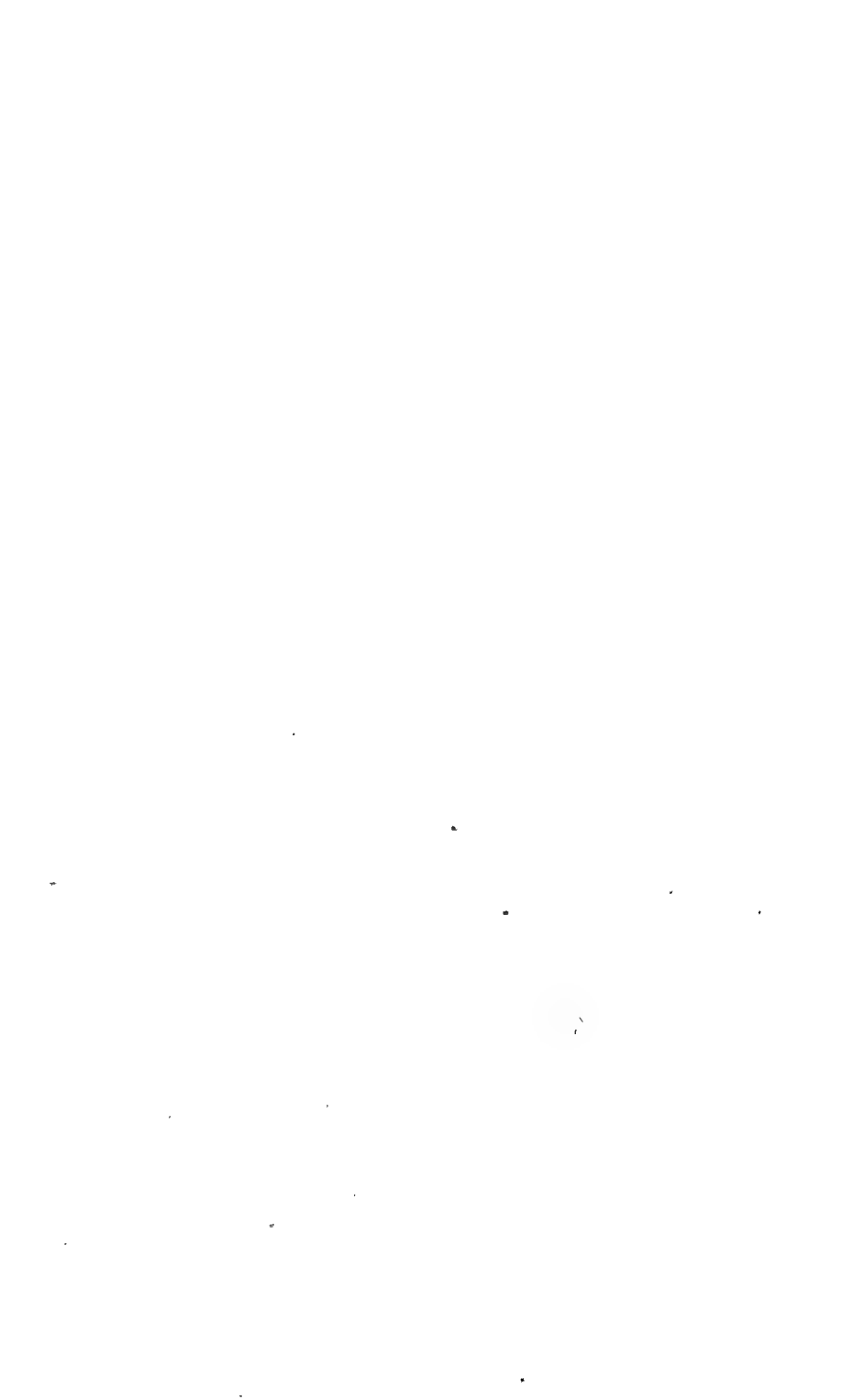
Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting it was voted & agreemtt made with John Ley y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd Lee shall from y<sup>e</sup> date of this present meetinge shall have & improve y<sup>e</sup> parsonage Land & meadow with y<sup>e</sup> fence y<sup>t</sup> is now belonging to it viz y<sup>e</sup> Land & meadow near y<sup>e</sup> meeting house for one year from y<sup>e</sup> date heirof yealding & paying or cause to be paide by him his heirs executors Administrators or Assigns y<sup>e</sup> just sum of one pound & 5 shillings curent mony to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne before or upon y<sup>e</sup> first day of November next ensuing & to leave y<sup>e</sup> sd fence with what y<sup>e</sup> sd Lee hath advanced for y<sup>e</sup> repairing y<sup>e</sup> same

Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting their was granted to Samuell Leach three quarters of an Acker or theirabouts of y<sup>e</sup> swamp above y<sup>e</sup> brige y<sup>t</sup> is att y<sup>e</sup> head of Joans his medow the sd three quarters of an Acker adjoining to y<sup>e</sup> sd Leach his Land which he had before. Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting it was voted & Agreement made with Richard Lotharer y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd Lotharer shall from y<sup>e</sup> date heirof have posses & improvmt of y<sup>e</sup> parsonage house with y<sup>e</sup> Land belonging & adjoining to it for one whole year from y<sup>e</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> date heirof yealding & paying or cause to be paid by him his heirs executers administrators or assigns y<sup>e</sup> just sum of one pound five shillings in curent mony before or upon y<sup>e</sup> 1st day of March next ensuing to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town

Boston 1<sup>st</sup> March 1688

[56] Reseved of John Crow Cunstable of y<sup>e</sup> Towne of Manchester fower pounds eight shillings and three pence in full for y<sup>e</sup> Contry Rate of y<sup>e</sup> towne for John Usher Esq<sup>r</sup> Treasurer flich Perry.

Att A Towne meeting legualy warned it being on y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of September 1689 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater for y<sup>e</sup> meetinge at y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge ser : John Sibly was Legaly chosen commisioner with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge Samuell Leach John Sibly Samuell Allen John Ley wear chosen as a comity to treat with any man whom thay can hear of or know to be fitt for y<sup>e</sup> caring on of y<sup>e</sup> minestryall ofiss hear amongst us & to make returne of their proseedings as soone as may be





Att A towne meetinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of october John Sibly was Chosen morderater for this meetinge. Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge it was Legaly voted & agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of this towne for y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of a minister amongst us if he might be procured give & alow the sum of twelve pound in mony for half a yeare to be gathered by equale rate mad by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge it was then voted & agreed upon y<sup>t</sup> Richard Lotherer had then granted to him one small house Lott Lying next to Richard—it being in quantity about 3 quarters of one acker provided y<sup>e</sup> said Richard Lotherer Doo build & settle upon said parsell of Land within y<sup>e</sup> term of to year from y<sup>e</sup> Date heir of but if he said Lotherer Doo remove from hence before y<sup>e</sup> terme above said then y<sup>e</sup> said Lotherer is toresigne or leave said Land to & for y<sup>e</sup> towns use forever this vote of Lotherer is for his house Lot as abovsd is holy void Atest

Thomas Tewxbery Clar :

[55] Att A town meeting by y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of Manchester mett to gather upon y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> of June, 1689 ser: John Sibly was chosen morderater for this meeting Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting was chosen legaly by y<sup>e</sup> inhabiants Thomas Tewxbery Robert Leach Thomas West Selectmen for this year Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting was chosen John Allen cunstable for this year ensuing or untell another is sworn.

[39] Att A towne meetinge of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of manchester the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of november 1689 Legaly warned Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater for this meetinge

Att A towne meetinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> Day of november 1689 John Sibly was chosen morderater for this meetinge at y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge Onysephros Allen was chosen to serve in y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury & Robart Leach to serve in y<sup>e</sup> petty Jury both to apear att y<sup>e</sup> next county coart held at Salem then & their to attend y<sup>e</sup> contry servie At the same town meeting the 22nd of november 1689 it was then voted and Agreed by the town viz that all the sd town Common Land Lying southerdly from these bounds folowing to witt

from a walnut tree being the most northermost bounds of Thomas West his land Laid out to him by the sd town & so from sd walnut tree upon A straight line to a grate hemlock being the most northwesterly corner bounds of the Divisions of Land above the brushie plain & from sd hemlock to a white oak standing in gloster

line in woolf trap swamp & being the bounds of the Leaches & Siblys land: and all the sd common Land lying southerdly from these bounds abovsd it was voted that no person or persons in the sd town for the space of on whole year from the Date heir of shall have Liberty to cut or carry away any part of firewood or any sort of timber growing or lieing upon the abov sd track of comon land on penalty of the los of all such wood or timber that may be found either cut or carried away from the sd common Land to the water side to sell or dispose to any other town or place or person or persons not belonging to the town either directly or indirectly: and the selectmen or any other of the inhabitants of the sd town are heirby impowered to take or seaz all such wood or timber so found cut upon the common abovsd & caried to the water side two thirds part for him or themselves & the other therd part for the use of the town At a meeting of the selectmen on the twentieth day of December 1689 their was on Singall Rate & a half made by sd selectmen amounting to three pounds & a Leaven shilling & six pence to be forthwith paid in mony three pound & nine penc to the treasurer for this colony of the masachusetts and the overplus which is 10 shillings & 9 pence for the use of the town the sd rate & half being comitted to the Constable to colect  
1689

[40] Att A towne meetting on y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of february Samuell Leach was chosen morderater for yt meetting Whereas att a towne meettinge mett to gether about treatinge a minister to serve amongst us it was then voted & agreed upon it beinge on y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of September 1689 y<sup>t</sup> Samuell Leach John Sibly Samuell Allen & John Lee wear chosen as a comity to treat and agree with any whom thay see fitt to serve amongst us whearupon we y<sup>e</sup> said comity Doe Declare att this meeting as Dated abovsaid y<sup>t</sup> we have treated M<sup>r</sup> John Evely for one yeare to serve among us for ten shillings per Day mony for every Sabath y<sup>t</sup> he ofsiate among us During y<sup>e</sup> terme of one yeare begininge y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of october 1689 & so onward for y<sup>e</sup> whole time & terme of one yeare from y<sup>e</sup> Day and Date as above-said Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge as above said it was then Voted and agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> towne y<sup>t</sup> thay excepted condition or agreement which y<sup>e</sup> abovesaid comity have made with M<sup>r</sup> John Evely acording to y<sup>e</sup> tender mentioned as aforesaid y<sup>t</sup> is to say ten shilings per Day mony for every Sabath he ofsiate amongst us with all nesessary charges as is befiting y<sup>e</sup> said M<sup>r</sup> Evely Duringe y<sup>e</sup> time &







terme as aforesaid Att this same towne meeting it is further ordered & voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Select men are impowered & required to Levy a rate forthwith upon y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of this towne to Defray y<sup>e</sup> charges before mentioned as consarning y<sup>e</sup> minister as aforesaid

Att this same towne meettinge it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> Robert Leach John Sibly Samuell Allen wear chosen as a comity to Lay out a parsell of Land for John Masters as Administrater to Sam pickworths estate acording to grant

At a meeting of the Select men on the 25<sup>th</sup> febr 1688 There was six single Country Rates made And Committed to the Constable to gather Amounting to the just sum of twelve pounds six shillings and six pence whereof the sd constable is forthwith to Colect and pay to the Country Treasurer twelve pounds and three shillings to Witt forty Shillings and six pence in mony and ten pounds tow Shillings and six pence in pay and the overplus being three shilings and six pence to be paid to the Select men for the use of the town

the 13 day of March 1690

[35] Att a towne meeting legally warned John Sibly was chosen morderater this meeting at the sam meeting Samall Lee sen was then to sarve uppon the Jury of tryalls and thomas teuxbure was chosing y<sup>e</sup> gran Juri man Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> twelve of november 1690 it was voted & agreed by y<sup>e</sup> sd towne y<sup>t</sup> all y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> sd towne shall from y<sup>e</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> Date of this sd meeting that what mony him or thay or any of y<sup>e</sup> sd inhabitants from time to time on y<sup>e</sup> sabath Day or Days Doe or soe cause to contribut to y<sup>e</sup> box for Mr. John Evelyn his salery for this yeare begun y<sup>e</sup> first of october 1690 it is agreed att this sd meeting y<sup>t</sup> all such from time to time untell y<sup>e</sup> yeare be expired shall contribute his or their sd mony with A paper wrapt About it with y<sup>e</sup> names of Each person so contributing inserted upon y<sup>e</sup> sd paper wherein y<sup>e</sup> mony is infolded & who-soever of y<sup>e</sup> sd inhabitants shall or Doo at any time contribute their sd mony without their prescription aforesaid shall not have any account theirow but it shall be accounted as strangers money & it is voted by y<sup>e</sup> sd towne y<sup>t</sup> sergent John Sibly & Robart Leach doe take & give an account of all or person & persons contribution for y<sup>e</sup> said purpose [36] Att A towne meeting Legally warned and mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of february 1690 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen Morderater At the same town meeting John Ley in the preasance of the sd meeting paid unto the selectmen five

and twenty Shilling in mony to witt twenty shilling six pence then delivered to sd selectmen and tow shilling to Samuell Allen sen : being one of the selectmen acknowledged he had in his hands already and tow shillings and six pence by Samuell Ley mending the town pound by order of the sd Selectmen which sd five and twenty shillings is in full of the sd John Ley his rent which hee engaged to pay for the passonag Land as appears by a Record in this Book bearing Date the tenth of march 1688<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

[34] June y<sup>e</sup> 23 1690 Att a town meeting & Legaly warned for y<sup>e</sup> day & year abov said Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater for this meeting Att y<sup>e</sup> same meeting ser : John Sibly was chosen to serve upon ye Jury of tryals att y<sup>e</sup> next county court holden att salem for this county Att a town meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1690 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderator for this meetinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting Samuell Leach John Sibly & Samuel Allen sen : wear chosen Selectmen for this year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting moses Benet was chosen Constable for this year ensuing until another is sworne Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting it was then Voted & Agreed by y<sup>e</sup> Mager part y<sup>t</sup> Nathanel Masters shall have free fold or pasture in y<sup>e</sup> towne comans for his owne cattle & Likewise wood for his owne firing & timber to build him a house out of y<sup>e</sup> aforsaid comon Land Att ye same town meeting it was then voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> all y<sup>e</sup> rames going in comon with any yews after y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of July untill forth of november it shall be Lawfull for Mark tricker & Ephram Joans as chosen by the town to take the said rames soo found & kill them returning y<sup>e</sup> one half to y<sup>e</sup> owner September y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1690 Att a town meetinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> day & year abov written Samuell Allen sen : was chosen morderater for this meeting

[35] Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Robort Leach was chosen comittioner to join with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen to take a invoie of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of manchester & to make return acording to Law Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting it was voted & Agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of this towne y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Evelyn shall have y<sup>e</sup> same salery for y<sup>e</sup> next year ensuing in quality & quantity to be gathered as formerly & by rate made by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen to witt twenty six pounds in mony provided he continue amongst us & oftiat in y<sup>e</sup> worke of y<sup>e</sup> ministry of y<sup>e</sup> gospel for one whole yeare bigining y<sup>e</sup> first of October next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heirof said meeting.

[41] At a meting of the Selectmen on the thirteenth Day of





August 1690 their was ten single contry Rates made and Committed to the Constable Moses bennit the said Rates amounting to twenty six pounds nineteen shillings in pay: of which the sd Constable is to pay forthwith to the Country treasurer the Just sum of twenty five pounds and the overplus being one pound nineteen shillings he is to pay to the selectmen for the use of the town

Att a meetting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1690 their was made two single contry rats & halfe made & comitted to y<sup>e</sup> constable Moses Benett y<sup>e</sup> said Rates amounting to six pound sixteen shilings & fower pence of which y<sup>e</sup> sd constable is to pay by y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of september y<sup>e</sup> county Tresurer y<sup>e</sup> Just sum of six pound five shillings in mony & y<sup>e</sup> overplus being eleven shillings & fower pences to pay to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne

[17] On the eight Day of September in the year of our Lord god one thousand six hundred ninety: then was granted and given to William horsham that lot or pice of Land which was formerly Laid out to Walter Palmister and is bounded to the sd horsham as foloweth To Witt the first bounds is a small white Pine marked with 4 marks & standing at or near the northwest Corner of sd Land: the second bounds is another small white pine marked with 4 marks and being the northeast Corner bounds of the sd Land: the third bounds is a grate hemlock tree standing on or by a Grate Rock and sd tree is marked with 4 marks and is the south east corner bounds of the sd Land: the fourth bounds standing on the South west Corner of the sd Land is a small pine stump with a heap of stones about it and so from the sd stump to the first bounds abovementioned.

Wee whose names are under writen being chosen and Impowered by the town of manchester as Committee to renew or make bounds to such pasells of Land swampy ground or medow that hath been formerly granted by the sd town and have been possessed by any person or persons & the present possesers Laying claim theirto by fertue of any grant from the sd town or pitchise which Lands or medows or any part or pasell of such medows and Lands the bounds thereof hath not been entered in the late town book of Records wee under named being Impowered as a Committee above sd have therefore met together on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the year of our Lord god on thousand six hundred and ninety one: and renewed the bounds of a pasell of Land called by the name of the forty Acurs which was granted & bounded to William benit Robert

Leach Senr. John Normen sen. and John Pickworth each of them having a equal propotion of the sd pasell of Land which grant & boundary of sd Land was made to them on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord on thousand six hundred sixty seven: eight; the sd Land now being in the possession of Thomas West being the owner by parchise of the one half of the above sd Land and Robert Leach one forth part of the abov sd pasell of Land it being granted to his father Robert Leach sen<sup>r</sup> abov sd and the other forth part is now in the possession of John Norman Son of the above sd norman the bounds of the said Land Apearing which are as foloweth

[18] To Witt The first bounds on the south west corner is a grate white oak marked with four marks it being a bounds also of the Lot which John West bought of Richard Gardner & from sd oak north or theirabouts to another white oak marked with 4 marks and standing near the brow of a hill & being the northwest Corner bounds of sd Land and from the sd oak being the second bounds to another white oak easterly and marked also with 4 marks & being the thlird & the northeast Corner bounds of the sd land & from sd oak southerdly to a white oak standing on the southerdly end of a high cliff of rocks the sd oak being marked with four marks & stons laid to the Root of it the sd tree being a bounds allso of the sd West his farm bought of blackledge and so the above sd forty Acurs be it more or less is bounded by the sd West his farm westward & the lot which was gardners before mentioned tell it comes to the first bounds above named to the s<sup>d</sup> forty acurs

John Siblee

Thomas West

Samuel Leach

Thomas Twexbery

Robert Leach

[41] At a meeting of the select men on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of october 1690 there was a Rate made for Mr John Evly his salowry amounting to seaven pounds and eight shillings and on peny and Committed to the Constable to Colect and out of it hee his ordered to see that the sd evly be paid the Just sum of six pounds ten shillings at or before the Last day of December next Insuing the date abov sd the whole Rate to be paid in mony the Rest of sd rate being eighteen shillings and on peny the sd Constable beeing ordered to pay to the select men for the Discharge of the town Ingagements

Att A meeting upon y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of october 1690 concerning







—or meettinge M<sup>r</sup> John Winborn Robart Leach was then chosen morderater it was then voted at y<sup>e</sup> same meettinge yt y<sup>e</sup> lott called Millets Lot which is in contention betwene ye towne & said winborne is not ingaged to him y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid M<sup>r</sup> John winborne or to any by or under him by any bargain or contracte formerly [42] At a town meeting Leagaly warned and met together on the twenty Day of October 1690 Their was then at the said meeting a Committee Legaly chosen by the town to treat with M<sup>r</sup> John Winborne about all maters of Contrivsy between the town and sd Winborne With Respect to Land or Salowry that he do or might chalenge as his due or lay claim to from the town the sd Winborne having disired of the select men that this sd meeting might bee convined and thar is chosen for the sd committee Samuell Allen sen<sup>r</sup> Samuell Leach John Siblee Thomas West Thomas Bishop John Elithorp and moses Bennit Who or the majer part of them fully Impowered to agree with the said Winborne as they shall see cause for and in the behalfe of the towne With Respect to all maters either of salowry due for his ministry of the gospel or Land which he might or do claim either by gift or contract from the town during his abroad in the sd town Thomas Texbery also being one of the abovsd Committee

[41] At a meeting of the selectmen on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of January 169<sup>9</sup><sub>1</sub> Their was twenty single Country Rates made Amounting to thirty pounds ten shilings and eight penc and Committed to Constabel moses Bennitt to Colect and to pay forth with to the County Treasurer or his Asigns out of the sd Rate twenty nine pounds ten shilings in grain at their severall prises set down in sd treasurers warent or in mony then to be abated on third part the sd warent bearing Date the 25<sup>th</sup> of november 1690 the overplus of the abovsd rate being twenty shillings eight penc sd constable is also forth with to pay to the selectmen for the use of the town

[42] Att a meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> select men or comitty y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of Aprell 1691 y<sup>e</sup> selectmen being a parte of y<sup>e</sup> sd comety have made a rate amountinge to five pound sixteene shilings six pence & comited sd rate forth with to be gathered sd rate is to Discharge Debt of five pounds ten shilings Due by bils given under y<sup>e</sup> hand of sd comity in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> towne to M<sup>r</sup> John winborne formerly minister in our sd towne y<sup>e</sup> over plush of said rate being six shillings six pence to be gathered also for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne

Charles Towne y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of July 1691

[45] Then Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> moses Bennett constable of Manchester yesum of one pound five shilings in bills of credit in full of ye two mony Rates & half & sixteen pounds therteen shillings & fower pence in bills of creditt in full of y<sup>e</sup> ten rattes of <sup>sd</sup> towne

I say Reseved

John pilips Treasurer

This is A true copy of y<sup>e</sup> originall

Attest by me Thomas Tewxbery Clark

[10] Reseved of Thomas Tewxbery of Manchester Constable by order of John Usher Esq Treasurer toward y<sup>e</sup> assesment in y<sup>e</sup> year 1685 for y<sup>e</sup> contry & county your whole being two single rates to pay twelve shillings & eight pence in mony & twenty five shillings & fower pence in graine acording to y<sup>e</sup> prise sett by your then generall court & also y<sup>e</sup> half rate for y<sup>e</sup> county in graine twelve shillings & eight pence all which makes two pound ten shillings & eight pence I say reseved by me Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

Benjamin gerrish

Charles Towne y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> Desember 1691

Then Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> Moses Bennett Constable of Manchester by y<sup>e</sup> hand of M<sup>r</sup> John Sibly y<sup>e</sup> sum of eight pounds eight shilings in bills of creditt in part of sd towns portion of y<sup>e</sup> twenty fower thousand pound rate I say reseved

John philips Treasu.

Charles Towne y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> January 1692

Then Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> Moses Bennett Constable of Manchester by y<sup>e</sup> hands of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas West & M<sup>r</sup> John Sibly of sd town y<sup>e</sup> sum thirty three pounds fower shillings & ten pence in bills of creditt in part of sd townes proportion of y<sup>e</sup> twenty fower thousand pound rate I say reseved John philips Treasurer

These three resaits above written are true coppies of y<sup>e</sup> originall

Attest by me Thomas Tewxbery Clark

[141] Layd out to John Ley for his 2 devisions Joyning to aron bennits Land about 6 acers be it more or less & is bound-  
ed as followeth to witt the first bounds is a small black oak marked  
with 4 marks & standeth by the highway that goeth to the grate  
hill & is the south west corner bounds & from thence northwester-  
ly to a hemlock marked with 4 marks which is the northwest corner  
bounds of sd land & from sd hemlock esterly to a white pine & so  
esterly to a white oak & so esterly to a hemlock marked with 4  
marks which is the northest corner bounds & from thence south-





erly to a small black ash & so on a strait line to aron bennets Land & so on a strait line joyning to aron bennets westerly to the black oak aforsd it being the south west corner bounds laid by us the subscribers this 20<sup>th</sup> of May 1691 Thomas West John Siblee Samuel Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> Robburd Leach

[142] May 19 1691 then Laid out & bounded to Samuell pickworth 6 Acors of Land be it more or less upon the great neck nere pople ston beach the first bounds on the northwest being a white oak marked with 4 marks & from sd oak southeast or thareabouts to a red oak marked with 4 marks & so upon strait line to the sea taking all the Land south westerly to the sea to an oak marked nere the Sea a Little estward of pibble ston beach & from sd red oak being the first bounds of sd Land alowing a hyway threw the aforsd Land to the beach aforsd by the Comittee namely

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|---------------|---------------|
| Thomas West   | John Siblee   |
| Samuell allin | Robburd Leach |

May 20 1691 then Laid out to Joseph pickworth & Samuell pickworth for thare 2<sup>d</sup> Devision millits swamp 3 Acres be it more or less & is bounded as followeth 4 poal in bredth from sd normons bounds at the est & to a maple marked with 4 marks & at the west end of sd normons with a hemlock being John normons bounds & so to another grate hemlock esterly marked with 4 marks sd lot being about 80 poals in Length by us the Commitie namely

Thomas West John Siblee Samuell Allin Sen<sup>r</sup> Robburd Leach

[42] At a meeting of the selectmen on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of June 1691 their was a Contry Rate made by sd selectmen Amounting to the Just sum of forty three pounds three shillings and three penc and Committed to the Constable moses Bennit to colect and gather and to pay to the County Tresurer or his asigns the Just sum of forty pounds twelve shillings and ten penc in or as mony the one halfe being twenty pounds sixteen shillings and five penc to be paid to the sd Tresurer by the first Day of september next Insuing and the other halfe which is like wise twenty pounds sixteen shillings and five penc to be paid to the sd Tresurer by the first of may in the year 1692 the sd sums being our town of manchesters proposion to a sum of Twenty four thousand pounds as appears by the sd Tresurers Warent bearing Date the ninth Day of June 1691 the overplus of sd Rate being one pound ten shillings and five pence sd constable is ordered to pay to the selectmen for the use of the town

[36] Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> of June 1691 Sergeant John Sibly was chosen to serve upon y<sup>e</sup> jury of tryalls at this court at Salem held for this county y<sup>e</sup> Last tuesday of this month. Att a general towne meeting Legaly warned And mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of July 1691 Thomas West was Chosen morderater for this meeting Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting were Chosen for this year ensuing Mr. Thomas West Robart Leach John Lee Selectmen Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Samuell Allen Jun : was chosen Constable for the year ensuing & untill another is chosen sworn

Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> same order voted conserning y<sup>e</sup> taking up of names in y<sup>e</sup> Last year meeting shall stand for this — [37] According to y<sup>e</sup> Day & Date theirin exprest & mark tricker & John burte ar heirby required & apointed to see after & put this order in execution according to y<sup>e</sup> true intent of y<sup>e</sup> same Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> Last Day of August 1691 Lieft John Sibly was chosen Morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Samuell Leach was chosen conitioner At the same town meeting the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of August 1691 it was then voted and Agreed that the selectmen do treat & agree With Mr John Evely to Cary on the work of the ministri with us in our town for another year the present year ending the last day of September next insuing the Date hereof Att a Town Meeting Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of october 1691 Lef<sup>t</sup> John Sibly was chosen morderater for this meeting Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting John Pearce was chosen grand jury man & John Ley to serve in y<sup>e</sup> petty jury both to serve in y<sup>e</sup> contry servese at Salem court to be hold for this county upon y<sup>e</sup> last Tuesday of november next ensuing.

[59] At a town meeting Leaguallly Warned and met together on the eighteenth Day of January 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Whereas our old meeting house being the most part Considerable part of it Rottun and the sd house allso being too small to Acomodate our people When Conveined to gether for the Worship and servic of god It is therefore voted and fully agreed to have a new meeting hous built of these Dimentions folowing the Length to be therty foot the breadth their of to be twenty five foot the height between the sell and the plate to be sixteen foot the form of the Ruff of the sd house to be in the same form of beverly or







Wenham meeting hous with a — belvery on the top of sd house suteable for a good Bell of about a hundred Waight or more and three galleries to be built that is to say one on won side of the whole Length of sd house and the other tow at each end the whole breadth of sd house: And it is voted and agreed that the Committee that are now chosen namely John Siblee Robert Leach Thomas West Samuella Alen Senr John Ley and William Alen or the majer part of them Doe and are at this sd meeting fully Impowered by the town to Agree with a workman to build the sd house for and in the behalf of the town at the sd towns Cost and Charge all to bee paid in mony at tow paiments to Witt the first paiment when the abov sd house is Raised which is voted to be by or on the tenth Day of June next Insuing and the Last paiment to be made When the sd house is finished Which is to be don by the Last day of October folowing the sd house to be set near the old meeting house Where the above sd Committee or the Majer part of them do Apoint or Determine: and see that the sd house be every ways Completely finished with seats and all other decent and suteable Apartainances theiirto Convieniant for the whole house both within and without as the sd Committee or the majer part of them Doth order and the abov sd Committee or majer part of them are to place the people in the seats of sd hous

[43] At a meeting of the selectmen on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of march 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  Their was then a rate made for mr John Evelith his salory and other nesessary charges for him Amounting to three and tweeney pounds fifteen shillings and nine pence to be paid in mony the sd rate being Committed to Samuella Allen Constable to Colect and pay the same to the selectmen with what doth apear by the selectmen to him to be paid by Contribution on the Acompt of the sd rate it being for three quarters of one year for the sd evelith the sd year begining the first Day of October 1691 the sd Constable being ordered by warent inserted on the sd Rate by the hands of the Select men to Colect and Clear the same as abov sd before or upon the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of June next Insuing the above written Date At the same meeting of the selectmen the 17<sup>th</sup> of march 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  then the sd Selectmen Reckoned with Lieut John Siblee for entertainment of m<sup>r</sup> John Evelith on the saboth Days and other nesessary times for Diat and Lodging for tow years and a half the Last Day of this Instant march and the sd Siblee have Received five pounds in or as

mony for the abovsd Entertainment out of the Rates made for mr Eveleth his salowry and other charges for him which is in full satisfaction to him for the tow years and halfe afore sd

[59] At town meeting Leaguallly Warned and mett together on the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of May 1692 It was then voted and Agreed that In case of the neglect of any person or persons in or belonging to our town not paying his or there propotion acording to time and way alredy subscribed the said time being the tenth Day of June next Insuing the date abovsd which mony is to pay the carpinters for building the new meeting house mentioned in the above Writen Record it is voted that the Committee named in the above said record are fully Impowered and ordered by the town to make a rate forthwith after the tenth day of June to Discharge the whole charg and cost of the new meeting house all to be paid in mony the sd Rate to be gathered by the Constable with all speed

1692  
[60] At a Town meettinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1692 Onysiphorus Allen was chosen Morderater At the same town meeting M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Tewxbery was then chosen a representitive for our town of manchester to serve as on of the members of the Grate and Generall Court at boston on the eight day of this Instant June Acording to warent from his Exelency the Govenor Sir William phips Knight and to atend sd servise untill the sd court do dissolve it At a town meeting Leaguallly warned and mett together on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1692 there was then chosen for Selectmen for the year Insuing Leut John Siblee Robert Leach and thomas West At the same town meeting John Pearce was chosen Constable for one whole year insuing and untill another be chosen and sworn At the same Town meeting: in persuant to a warrant from the Country tresurer of there majes-tees provence of the mastechucets bay sd warrant bearing Date the eleaventh Day of July 1692

M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Tewxbery was then chosen commissioner to joyn with the select men to make a true List of all the male persons in our town of manchester from sixteen years and upwards and a true estimation of al estates in sd town and to do in all Respects as the sd warrant Requireth Att A towne meetting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of Desember 1692 Leiut John Sibly was chosen Morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting John Elathorpe was chosen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next quarter sesions holden at salem





their to atend on y<sup>e</sup> jury of tryalls while y<sup>e</sup> court Lasteth & william Allen was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> grand jury their to apeare and meet as aforesaide

[43] At a meeting of the selectmen on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1692 Then Reckoned with moses Benitt Constable for the Rate Committed to him for M<sup>r</sup> John Eveleth salowry for one quarter of a year the sd quarter begining on the first Day of October 1690 the sd rate being seaven pounds eight shillings and on peny to be paid in mony the sd Constable haveing paid to sd eveleth with Contribution mony and other ways the Just sum of six pounds and sixteen shillings of sd Rate: the sd Constable Remains in Debt to the town on the acompt of the abov sd Rate the Just sum of twelve shillings and one peny in mony At a meeting of the selectmen the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1692 Then Reckeoned with John Allen Constable for year 1689 for the Rate Committed to him for M<sup>r</sup> John Eveleth salowry the sd rate amounting to tweenty nine pounds three shillings and six penc in mony and bearing Date the twenty eight Day of february 1689 And the sd Allen Remains Debter to the town to Clear the sd Rate the Just sum of tow pounds one shilling and seaven penc in mony

At a meeting of the selectmen on the tenth Day of November 1692: then Reckoned With Samuell Allen jun<sup>r</sup> for the three quarters of a years Rate bearing date the twelvt<sup>h</sup> of August 1691 and a three quarters of a years Rate bearing Date the seaventeenth Day of march 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  the first of sd Rates Amounting to twenty tow pounds fifteen shillings mony and the other Rate Amounting to twenty three pounds fifteen shillings and nine penc mony the sd rates being Committed to him to Colect for the minister he being then Constable; the said Allen haveing Reckoned as abovsd and hee Remains In Debt to the town seaventeen pounds eight shillings nine penc mony besides a Receipt of three pounds three shillings nine penc under the hand of John Siblee on of the selectmen bearing date with this present Reckoning

[44] At a meeting the selectmen on the fifth day of December 1692 there was a Country Rate made by the sd selectmen Amounting to the just sum of twelve pounds five shillings and nine pence to be paid in mony or that which will pass with the Country treasurer for the Discharging the Country Debts the sd Rate being Committed to the Constable John pearc to Colect and gather and to make

paiment to the sd treasurer or his assigns out of the sd Rate a leaven pounds sixteen shillings by the twenty fifth day of the abovsd December as by the sd Treasurer his warant is inserted the sd eleaven pounds sixteen shillings being that half or Moiety to be first paid by the time aforesd and the overplus of sd Rate the sd Constable is ordered to pay forthwith to the selectmen for the use of the town it being nine shillings and nine pence money At meeting of the selectmen on the seventeenth day of february 169 $\frac{2}{3}$  ther was a Country Rate made by the sd selectmen Amounting to the just sum of Twelve pounds six shillings and three pence to be paid in money or equivelent thereto to discharge the Country Debts the sd Rate being Committed to Constable John pearce to collect & gather and to make paiment to the Country Treasurer or his assigns by the first day of may next insuing the date hereof the just sum of a leaven pounds sixteen shillings it being that half or moiety to be Last paid as by the sd treasurers warant is inserted and the Remainder of the sd Rate being ten shillings and three pence the sd Constable is ordered to pay to the selectmen for the use of the town

[44] At a meeting of the Selectmen on the twenty seaventh day of february 169 $\frac{2}{3}$  then reckoned with Lift. John Siblee for entertainment of Mr. John Eveleth on the sabath days and on other nesessary times and Mr. John Emerson while he sd Emerson came and preached the Gospell in sd evelith his Absenc the time being for both persons three quarters of a year from the last of march past to the first day of January 169 $\frac{2}{3}$  and the sd Siblee is paid therty shillings as money for the abovsd time to witt six shillings and four pence by his own Rate and one pound four shillings and eight pence out of the Rates made for the minister the sd Siblee being fully satisfied therewith for the abov sd time and charges At a meeting of the selectmen on the seaventeenth day of march 169 $\frac{2}{3}$  there was then a Rate made by the sd selectmen Amounting to seaven pound four shilling and three pence in money and Committed to the Constable John pearce to collect forthwith and him sd Constable being also required by warrant inserted under the sd list rate or bill of assessments by the sd selectmen to return or pay the sd seaven pound four shilling and three pence to the selectmen before or by the Last day of Aprill next insuing the date of this record the sd Rate being to discharge the town ingagements to Mr.







John Evelith for his quarter of a year salowry and other nesenary charges about him the sd quarter began the first day of february Last past before the date of this record

Att the same meeting of the selectmen was a rate made Amounting to four pound five shillings and a leaven penc in mony and committed to Constable John pearce to colect and gather and ordered by warrant forthwith to pay the same to Mr. Thomas Twexbery the sd sum of four pound five shillings & aleaven penc being to him for his servic at the generall Courtt as he was a representative sent by and for the town [45] Att a meeting of the selectmen on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of march 169<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Then Reckeoned with Mr. Thomas Twexbery for his service of thirty five days at the Generell Court as he was representative for the town in the year 1692: and his whole salowry Amounts to five pound four shillings in mony whereof the sd Twexbery is paid eighteen shillings towards his sd service the rest being four pound six shillings for which there is a Rate made and committed to Constable John pearce to colect and gather and is ordered to pay the sd four pounds six shillings in mony to the sd Thomas Twexbery forthwith

Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> of Aprill 1693 their was a contry rate made by y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen amounting to y<sup>e</sup> just sum of twenty three pound seventeen shillings six penc in mony to Discharge y<sup>e</sup> contry Depts y<sup>e</sup> sd rate being comited to Constable William Horsum to colect and gather & to make payment to y<sup>e</sup> contry treasurer or his assigns by y<sup>e</sup> first of may next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heirof y<sup>e</sup> just sum of twenty pounds eleven shillings as by sd treasurers warant is inserted & y<sup>e</sup> remainder of sd rate being three pound six shillings six penc y<sup>e</sup> sd Constable is ordered to pay to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town

Att a towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of march 169<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Leift John Sibly was chosen Morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meetting Leift John Sibly John Elathorp & Thomas Tewxbery wear chosen selectmen for this year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge william Horsum was chosen constable for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing & untell another is chosen Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetting Thomas Tewxbery was chosen towne clark & ginkin Williams & thomas Bishope wear chosen tithing men for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meetting it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> whereas y<sup>e</sup> former selectmen have taken out proses against moses Benett a former constable for a Dept due unto y<sup>e</sup> towne of manchester it is

voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> new selectmen shall have full power to proceed on to prosecute to colect y<sup>e</sup> same by law [38] upon y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> of march 1693 William horsum was sworn constable for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Attest Thomas Tewxbery Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1693 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & agreed to ad forty shillings to Mr Evely's salery for this half year begining this first of this instant May more than formerly he have had Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meetting it was voted & agreed upon y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> selectmen shall have power to treat & agree with Mr. Evely acording to y<sup>e</sup> abovsd promises

[61] At a Town meeting Leagaly warned and met together on the therd Day of february 1693 it was then voted and agreed by the sd town that that pasell of Land which was to the use of m<sup>r</sup> John Winborn while he lived in our town of manchester the sd land being About six Acurs and formerly caled by the name of millitts Lot: the said Land or Lott shall from the Day of the Date of this preasant town meeting ly and Remaine to the use benefit and Incorigement of the ministry from henc forth and forever

[19] We whose names are under written have mett with our neighbours of Manchester Apointed for this worke as apears by record from each Towne respectively & renewed y<sup>e</sup> bounds from A white oak tree at y<sup>e</sup> Est end of Grays Beach nore westerly untill we came to A white pine tree caled gardeners tree this twelfe of Aprell 1693 Wenham Aprell 14<sup>th</sup> 1693 Joseph Haskall John Persons

Att a meetting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen m<sup>r</sup> newman John porter Richard dodg John Edwards Ben Edwards & Nathaniell waldern are apointed to meett with Manchester men yt shall be apointed by their selectmen to goe in perambulation betwen wenham & manchester on y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of this instant Aprell if fair weather or else y<sup>e</sup> next fair day & to sett rang bounds on sd line

1693

Thomas fiske per order of selectmen

This may sertifie whome it may conserne y<sup>t</sup> Joseph haskall Jacob Daves & John persons wear chosen & deputed to meett with our neighbours of manchester & to run y<sup>e</sup> perambulation line & renew y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwext them & us as formerly gloster dated Aprell y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1693 by order Thomas Riggs clar

[18] We y<sup>e</sup> subscribers beinge Apointed by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen of y<sup>e</sup> town of Wenham & Manchester to meett together to run y<sup>e</sup> Line





of perambelation between our towns & to sett range bounds upon y<sup>e</sup> line between y<sup>e</sup> great white oake with a heap of stones about it & marked with a W I y<sup>e</sup> pine stump standing near Ipswich Line we have accordingly this seventeen day of Aprell 1693 being mett together marked A small black oack tree standing upon A small knole & A stump of fower mapls & then we marked A small hemlock tree standing on y<sup>e</sup> brow of A hill & from thence to goe Along to y<sup>e</sup> pine stump near Ipswich Line & these severall bounds we have settled to be range bounds between our townes of Wenham & Manchester & have heirunto sett our hands

|                           |   |            |              |   |                     |
|---------------------------|---|------------|--------------|---|---------------------|
| John newman               | } | for wenham | John Sibly   | } | for Manches<br>ter. |
| John porter               |   |            | Thomas West  |   |                     |
| Richard Dodg sen:         |   |            | Robart Leach |   |                     |
| John Edwards sen :        |   |            |              |   |                     |
| Benj <sup>a</sup> Edwards |   |            |              |   |                     |
| Nathanill Walderne        | } |            |              |   |                     |

[48] Att A meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> select men & comitioner upon y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of Aprel 1693 their was a county rate made Amounting to three pounds one shilling & eight pence & comitted to Samuell Lee Constable to gather & to pay in to y<sup>e</sup> treasurer of y<sup>e</sup> county or his order y<sup>e</sup> sum of 2<sup>s</sup>-11<sup>d</sup>-0<sup>f</sup> by y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of this instant Aprell & y<sup>e</sup> overplus which is ten shillings & 8 pence he is likewise required by warent inserted under sd list or rate to pay in to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne

[38] Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1693 Lift John Sibly was chosen morderator. Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetting it was voted & agreed to pay to Mr. Evelith for his salery thirty five pound per anum to be paid in equall proportion y<sup>e</sup> first year begining y<sup>e</sup> first Day of August ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heiroy 2ly it was then voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> Mr Evelith should have y<sup>e</sup> house & grounds belonging to y<sup>e</sup> ministry for his own proper use during y<sup>e</sup> time he preach y<sup>e</sup> gosple amongst us & it was likewise voted & agreed he should have y<sup>e</sup> parsell of Land called millets Lot during y<sup>e</sup> time as abovesaid & y<sup>e</sup> town is to fence it for him & also to fit y<sup>e</sup> house for him as soon as possible Att a town meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 21 of september 1693 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater for this meeting Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting it was voted & Agreed to chuse capt. John browne of marvilhead to serve att y<sup>e</sup> great & gen.

erall Asembly as a representative for our town of manchester according to Law.

Land given for a Parsonage House.

*copy given*  
 [15] Whereas there is no place soe convenient for A house for y<sup>e</sup> Ministry to be built upon as a small parcell of Land Lyinge on y<sup>e</sup> north side of y<sup>e</sup> brook below y<sup>e</sup> saw mill it being about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an Acker lying between y<sup>e</sup> sd brook & y<sup>e</sup> highway & y<sup>e</sup> sd Land now belonging to y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> 400 Ackers it being a part thereof Wee whose names are heirto subscribed being y<sup>e</sup> rightful & true proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> abovesd  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an Acker of Land doe by these presents upon this day & year under written both for ourselves our heirs executers Administrators & Assigns freely & franckly grant give Alienate & assign sett over & confirm unto y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester to them & their heirs the abovesd parsell of Land to have & to hold forever to made use of for y<sup>e</sup> setting up of y<sup>e</sup> personage house & to be improved for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> ministry & for y<sup>e</sup> confirmation hereof we have on this second Day of March 168 $\frac{1}{2}$  hereunto sett our hands & seals.

signed sealed & delivered  
 in y<sup>e</sup> presence of us

Samuell sen () his mark  
 Samuell Leach 2 his mark  
 John Sibly 3 his mark  
 Robert Leach R his mark  
 Onysephas Allen 1 his mark  
 William Allen 0 his mark

This is a true copy taken our of y<sup>e</sup>  
 originall paper by me

Thomas Tewxberry Clar :

This above written convaiance was owned in a town meeting mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1693 as wittnes Tho : Tewxberry

Will<sup>m</sup> horsum

John Lee

*Re. to*  
 [38] Att a town meeting Legaly warned & mett together 22<sup>d</sup> of may 1693 Leif<sup>t</sup> John Sibly was chosen Morderator att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetting it was voted & agreed to send noe representative to y<sup>e</sup> generall court held at bosten for this session Att a towne meetting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of June 1693 Thomas Tewxberry was chosen Morderator Att ye same town meeting Abram Masters was chosen to serve in y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryalls at y<sup>e</sup> generall sessions of y<sup>e</sup> inferior court to be holden at salem on y<sup>e</sup>







last tuesday of this instant their to atend y<sup>e</sup> servis of y<sup>e</sup> country according to Law

[47] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 1693 their was a rate made by sd selectmen amounting to seaven pound eight shillings mony & comitted to constable william horsum to colect forthwith & him said constable being allso required by warrant inserted under sd list rate or bill of assessments by y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen to return & pay y<sup>e</sup> sd seaven pounds eight shillings before or by y<sup>e</sup> last day of this instant July y<sup>e</sup> sd rate being to Discharge y<sup>e</sup> townes ingagement to Mr. John Evelith for one quarters salery & other nesenary charges about him y<sup>e</sup> sd quarter began y<sup>e</sup> first day of may last before y<sup>e</sup> date of this record

[46] Att a town meeting legally warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of July 1693 to consider of some efectuall way for y<sup>e</sup> incorigment & settling a minister in our town namely Mr John Evelynth hom we have already had experience of his preaching y<sup>e</sup> gosple to us & knowing it is our Duty to Doe our utmost indeavour for y<sup>e</sup> obtaining & maintaigng y<sup>e</sup> ministry of y<sup>e</sup> gosple Amongst us considering also y<sup>e</sup> ile consequences may follow if we should neglect our Duty herein & soe be Destitute of such means whom god hath ordained for y<sup>e</sup> everlasting salvation of immortall souls for which we have remarkable instances in y<sup>e</sup> Scriptures which is written for mans instruction as in y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> book of cronicles y<sup>e</sup> 15ch : 3 & 5 ver : now for a long seson Israell had been without A teaching profit & what folowes in y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> ver : its said their was noe peace to him y<sup>t</sup> went out nere to him y<sup>t</sup> came in but great vexation wear upon all y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of y<sup>t</sup> people & in prob : y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> chap. 18 ver : wheir their is noe vision y<sup>e</sup> people perish & against y<sup>e</sup> prists lips should preserve knowlige & thou shalt enquire at his mouth & contrarywise when Duty is atended in this great & momentary work as we may in y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of chronicles 31ch : 10 : ver : when y<sup>e</sup> people brought in freely great store of provitions for y<sup>e</sup> prests of y<sup>e</sup> Lord y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Lord blesed y<sup>e</sup> people greatly & in y<sup>e</sup> epistle of corinth 13ch : 14 ver : Doe you not know y<sup>t</sup> they which minister about holy things live of y<sup>e</sup> things of y<sup>e</sup> temple & they y<sup>t</sup> wait at y<sup>e</sup> Alter as pertakers with y<sup>e</sup> Alter soe hath y<sup>e</sup> Lord ordained y<sup>t</sup> they which preach y<sup>e</sup> gosple should live of y<sup>e</sup> gosple. Under this & y<sup>e</sup> like considerations it is voted & fully Agreed by y<sup>e</sup> town upon y<sup>e</sup> Day Above written firstly to pay to Mr. John evely y<sup>e</sup> sum of 35 pounds per annum in mony for his yearly salary y<sup>e</sup> sd salary of 35 pounds to be paid on every quarter

or quarterley by equall proportion y<sup>e</sup> 1st year begining upon y<sup>e</sup> 1st Day of August next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heiroy so long as he doth continue with us & cary on y<sup>e</sup> publick work of preaching y<sup>e</sup> gosple according to y<sup>e</sup> rules sett down in y<sup>e</sup> wholly Scripters of y<sup>e</sup> word of god Secondly it is voted & agreed by sd town y<sup>t</sup> sd Evelith shall have poses & improve to his own proper use & behov & Advantage the personag house with all y<sup>e</sup> Land & meadow belonging or Already Deputed by y<sup>e</sup> town for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> ministry together with a parsell of Land formerly caled by the name of Milits Lott it being about 6 Ackers the sd Evelith is to have y<sup>e</sup> aforsd premises During his abode with us as abov sd & further it is voted & agreed by sd town to sett up a fence about y<sup>e</sup> Abovsd 6 Ackers for sd Evelith use & also to fitt y<sup>e</sup> said house as soon as it may conveniently be don. In Testimony of my Acceptance of y<sup>e</sup> Conditions above written promising utmost fidelity in caring on y<sup>e</sup> work of the Ministri of the Gospel as abovsd God enabling me I do subscribe John Eveleth

Atest by me Thos Tewxbery town Clar :

[61] Att A towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Day of october 1693 Lieft John Sibly was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was then Voted & fully agreed to send capt John Browne as a representative for our towne of Manchester to atend & serv as abovsd at y<sup>e</sup> greatt & genarall Asembly to be holden at y<sup>e</sup> towne house in boston upon y<sup>e</sup> eight Day of november next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heiroy by nine of y<sup>e</sup> oclock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoone

[47] Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of October 1693 their was a rate made by sd selectmen Amounting to nine pound ten pence mony & comitted to Constable William Horsum to colect forthwith & him sd constable being also required by warrant inserted under sd list rat or bill of assessment by y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen to return & pay y<sup>e</sup> sd 9<sup>s</sup> & 10<sup>d</sup> before or by y<sup>e</sup> last of this instant october y<sup>e</sup> sd rate being to Discharge y<sup>e</sup> towns ingagment to Mr John Evelith for one quarters salery & other nesenary charges about him y<sup>e</sup> sd quarter began y<sup>e</sup> first day of August Last before y<sup>e</sup> Date of this record & y<sup>e</sup> first quarter in y<sup>e</sup> year of our new agreement with him Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 14 Day of Desember 1693 their was a rate made by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Amounting to twenty one pounds three shilings & six pence & comitted to constable William Horsum to pay into y<sup>e</sup> tresurer by y<sup>e</sup> first day of feb-





ruary next y<sup>e</sup> just sum of 19<sup>£</sup> 12<sup>sh</sup> & y<sup>e</sup> remainder which is 1<sup>£</sup> 11<sup>sh</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> he is by warant to pay into y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town

Boston October 24<sup>th</sup> 1693

[45] Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> William Horsum constable of Manchester fower pounds fourteen shillings & 9 pence by Discounte of order from the late treasurer & eleaven pounds seaventeen shiling & eleven pence by order & three pounds Eighteen shilings & fower pence mony is in all twenty pounds Eleaven shilings in part of sd townes Assessments for my master James Tayler Tresurer

vreseipt Jer : Allen

this is a true copy of y<sup>e</sup> originall by me

Thomas Tewxbery clark

This may sertifie home it may conserne y<sup>t</sup> Samuell Lee constable have pd what manchester was Awarded two pounds eleven shilings to M<sup>r</sup> Samuell Beedle as apears by his reseipt John Applton

Tresurer for y<sup>e</sup> county of Essex.

reseved of John pearce constable in y<sup>e</sup> yeare 1693 fower pound five shillings which was due to me from y<sup>e</sup> towne for my serving y<sup>e</sup> contry at bosten court I say reseved y<sup>e</sup> sum abovesd

by me Thomas Tewxbery

[61] Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Day of november 1693 Samuell Allen sen : was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Thomas Bishope was chosen to serve in y<sup>e</sup> grand jury at y<sup>e</sup> next Superior court of Judicature court of Assize & generall Goal Delervery to be held at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> tuesday in november next to atend y<sup>e</sup> servis of y<sup>e</sup> sd court by nine of y<sup>e</sup> clocke in y<sup>e</sup> morninge of sd day Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Woodbery & M<sup>r</sup> John Lee was chosen to serve in or upon y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryals at y<sup>e</sup> next superior court of Judicature court of Assize & generall Joale Delivery to be held att Salem on y<sup>e</sup> second tuesday in november next to attend y<sup>e</sup> serv is of sd court by nine oclock in y<sup>e</sup> morning of sd day

Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett to gather upon y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1693 John Sibly was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge onisiphoras Allen was chosen to serve in y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury att y<sup>e</sup> next genarall Sessions of y<sup>e</sup> peace & inferiour court of pleas to be holden att Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last tuesday of this instant Desember by nine of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> fore noon & ginken williams was Likewise chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryalls at y<sup>e</sup> same court plase & time above sd

[47] Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen 1693 upon y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1693 their was A rate made by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Amounting to eight pound seventeen shillings & fower penc & comitted to Constable William Horsom to colect & gather & he y<sup>e</sup> sd constable being also required by warrant inserted under sd list or rate by y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen to return & pay into y<sup>e</sup> selectmen y<sup>e</sup> abov sd sum of  $\text{£ } 8-17-4$  it being for y<sup>e</sup> Discharge of Mr. John Evelith salery & other nesenary charges about him y<sup>e</sup> sd quarter began y<sup>e</sup> first day of november Last past & is Due to be pd by y<sup>e</sup> first of february next ensuing.

Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen upon y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Day of January 169 $\frac{3}{4}$  & balancing all Accounts with Mr. John Evelith to y<sup>e</sup> day abovsd we find Due to him from ye towne y<sup>e</sup> just sum of  $\text{£ } 24-16-\frac{d}{2}$

Atest by me Thomas Tewxbery Clark  
per order Selectmen

[61] Att A towne Meetinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of march 169 $\frac{3}{4}$  Robart Leach was chosen moroderater

Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge M<sup>r</sup> Thomas West & Thomas Tewxbery samuell Allen sen : wear chosen select men for this year & John Sibly for a comitioner with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge Samuell Lee was chosen constable for this yeare & while another is chosen Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Thomas Tewxbery was chosen town clark for this year [62] Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge as aforesd upon y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of March 169 $\frac{3}{4}$  Robart Leach & John Lee were chosen survayers of high ways & survayers of fences for this year ensuing

Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting Samuell Allen sen : & ginkin williams wear chosen tithinge men for this yeare Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge John Elathorp & william Allen sen : weare chosen hawards or feld Drivers as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs for this yeare Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> selectmen shall be fully impowered to fence in all y<sup>e</sup> track of Land adjoining to y<sup>e</sup> personage house with suftient fence at y<sup>e</sup> towne charge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting it was voted & fully Agreed to mak choise of M<sup>r</sup> John Evelith to treat with y<sup>e</sup> honorable comit at bosten chosen by y<sup>e</sup> generall court to hear y<sup>e</sup> greavance of severall townes in this colony Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1694 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same meet-







tinge it was Agreed upon to send noe representative to y<sup>e</sup> generall court at this time

[48] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen & Comitioner y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1694 their was a rate made for purchasing A towne stock of Amonition for building A wach house & for charges in fencing y<sup>e</sup> ministers orchard Amounting to 12 pound & comited to constable Samuel Lee to colect & gather by y<sup>e</sup> first of May next & he is Likewise required by virtue of a warrant inserted under sd list or rate to pay all y<sup>e</sup> sd twelve pounds unto y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for to defray y<sup>e</sup> charge as abov sd.

Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen & comitioner upon y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1694 their was A rate made & committed to Constable Sam : Lee for y<sup>e</sup> Discharge of Mr. Eveliths salary for one quarter ending y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of May next Amounting to 8 pounds 15 shillings 8-5 he is required by warent inserted under sd rate to pay into sd evelith by y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of may next & y<sup>e</sup> overplus which is 10 shillings 6 pence he is Likewise required to pay unto y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne

[21] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen upon y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of Aprel 1694 John Siblee & Robart Leach John Lee John Elathorpe or any three of them wear apointed to meet with y<sup>e</sup> comity of beverly at Thomas Wests house on friday next to perambulate on y<sup>e</sup> bounds between beverly & manchester. We whose names are under written being appointed by y<sup>e</sup> towns of Manchester & beverly to perambulate on y<sup>e</sup> bounds & Line betwen y<sup>e</sup> sd townes Doe Declare y<sup>t</sup> on this instant 30<sup>th</sup> day Aprill 1694 we have perambulated on y<sup>e</sup> bounds & Line betweene y<sup>e</sup> sd townes y<sup>t</sup> is to say from y<sup>e</sup> midle of y<sup>e</sup> Creeke Comanly Caled Chubs Creeke & to run in y<sup>e</sup> same Creeke to A Rocke at y<sup>e</sup> head of y<sup>e</sup> Creeke whear we renewed y<sup>e</sup> sd Bounds by Laying Stones on sd Rock att y<sup>e</sup> head of y<sup>e</sup> Creek & thenc to A white oak att y<sup>e</sup> EsterEnd of y<sup>e</sup> pond caled pleasant pond by y<sup>e</sup> turnupe swamp & have marked y<sup>e</sup> sd tree with M & B & other Marks All which Bounds ar acordinge to y<sup>e</sup> settlement made by y<sup>e</sup> sd townes on y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of february 1672 as Apears by y<sup>e</sup> Returne made by y<sup>e</sup> persons then Apointed by sd townes

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|-------------|---|-----------------------|---|---------|---|--------------|
| for Beverly | { | Capt. paule thorndike | { | for     | { | John Sibly   |
|             |   | John Hill             |   | Man-    |   | Robart Leach |
|             |   | Thomas West           |   | chester |   | John Ley     |
|             |   | Thomas Woodbery       |   |         |   |              |

Dated may y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1694

[22] We whose names are under written being apointed from

Ipswich & Manchester to renew y<sup>e</sup> bounds between our towns respectively According to order mett on y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of this instant may att A tree marked with I & M. whear y<sup>e</sup> comitty of sd towns mett y<sup>e</sup> last time y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwen y<sup>e</sup> sd towns were renued & from sd tree trased y<sup>e</sup> sd line from a pine tree marked with I & M from sd pine est half a point notherly near to y<sup>e</sup> seder swamp trased y<sup>e</sup> bounds from sd pine to a walnut tree & a white oak & A rock near y<sup>e</sup> seder swamp before mentioned we trased y<sup>e</sup> line Est half a point southerly from y<sup>e</sup> sd oak & A rock through y<sup>e</sup> seder swamp to y<sup>e</sup> top of A hill to y<sup>e</sup> stump of an old dry pine before Agreed on & on y<sup>e</sup> course we trased & renewed & finished y<sup>e</sup> line unto y<sup>e</sup> heap of Rocks formerly erected & stated to be y<sup>e</sup> corner bounds whier Ipswich & gloster meett & Ipswich & manchester ends

As witness our hands John Siblee Robert Leach John Elathorp Samuell West John Allen for Manchester

Robert Kinsman John Burnam jun : Joseph Whipple — Isaac Renge for Ipswich

[62] Att A towne meetting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Day of June 1694 M<sup>r</sup> Thomas West was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetting John Elathorpe was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryalls at y<sup>e</sup> next infereour court of pleas to be holden att salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last tuesday of this instant June to apeare att y<sup>e</sup> towne house in salem y<sup>e</sup> Day abov sd att nine of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning their to atend y<sup>e</sup> servis acordingly

Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & agreed to revive y<sup>e</sup> aforesd way of contribution by papers about their mony as it was voted & Agreed upon by y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of this towne more att Large att a towne meetting on y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> of november 1690 & to continue soe Doinge untill M<sup>r</sup> Eveliths yeare and provided noe contribution given from this Day forward shall be accountable to or in any rate which has been committed to Any constable before y<sup>e</sup> Day & Date of this present meettinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> Thomas Tewxbery & Samuell Allen or either of them are Apointed & putt in charge to see to & give Account to M<sup>r</sup> Eveleth att All oportunity As may be convenient

[67] Att a town meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon 12<sup>th</sup> of July 1694 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting wear chosen to be Assesers trustees for this towne by order from y<sup>e</sup> treasurer Thomas Tewxbery Robert Leach & William Allen wear chosen eyesers for this contry rate

Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen & comitioner upon y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> day of





July 1694 a rate was made and comited to Constable Samuell Lee for y<sup>e</sup> discharge of Mr. Eveleth's salary for one quarter ending y<sup>e</sup> first of August next amounting to nine pounds eleven shillings he is required by warrant inserted under sd rate to pay in to sd Eveleith <sup>s</sup> 8 15 shillings 6 pence by y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of August next & y<sup>e</sup> overplus which is 16 shillings he is to pay to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town

Boston September 22<sup>d</sup> 1694 Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> William Harsum & M<sup>r</sup> John Pearce constables of Manchester 9 pounds 5 shillings by Discount order & is in full of sd towns Assesment to y<sup>e</sup> thirty thousand pounds tax

and I say Reseved for M<sup>r</sup> James Taylor Treasurer

Attest Thomas Tewxbery Clark Jeremia Allen

[48] At a meeting of the select men on the tenth Day of september 1694: then reconed with Constable William hossum for three rates committed to him to Colect for the ministrs Salowry & he remaineth in Debt on Acompt of sd rates the Just sum of three pounds fourteen shillings and ten pence mony that is to say ten pounds eight shillings and eight pence for the use of M<sup>r</sup> John Eveleth and one pound six shillings and tew pence for the use of the town

[49] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> select men upon y<sup>e</sup> tenth Day of september 1694 then reconed with constable John pearce for All rates comitted to him to colect & gather except y<sup>e</sup> meetting house rate & their remaines Due to y<sup>e</sup> towne y<sup>e</sup> just sume of twenty shillings mony to be paid to y<sup>e</sup> select men for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Select men upon y<sup>e</sup> 27 Day of october 1694 their was A rate made & comitted to constable Samuell Lee for y<sup>e</sup> Discharge of M<sup>r</sup> Eveleth's Salery for halfe a yeare ending y<sup>e</sup> first of february next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date heirof Amounting to seventeen pounds ninteen shilings he y<sup>e</sup> sd constable being required by warrant under sd rate to colect & gather & to pay unto sd eveleith by y<sup>e</sup> Day & time Above sd y<sup>e</sup> Just sum of seaventeene ten shillings mony & y<sup>e</sup> overplus which is nine shillings you are Likewise required to pay to y<sup>e</sup> select men for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> towne

[49] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen upon y<sup>e</sup> twelvth Day of october 1694 then recond with constable Sam Lee for y<sup>e</sup> towne rate comited to sd constable to colect & gather sd rate Amounting to twelve pound eight shilings & their remains Due to y<sup>e</sup> towne thirteen shilings p dat y<sup>e</sup> same Day 10 shillings viz to Thomas Tewxbery 4<sup>s</sup> to william Allen 2<sup>s</sup> & 4<sup>d</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> townes use

[50]

Boston October 16<sup>th</sup> 1694

Reseved of Thomas Tewxbery towne Clarke for Manchester eleven pounds three shilings & five pence in part of y<sup>e</sup> 2 mo & 2 & twenty rates for sd towne I say reseved for M<sup>r</sup> James tayler Treasurer  
Jerimi Allen

this is A true copy of y<sup>e</sup> originall as Atest

by me Thomas Tewxbery town clark

[49]

Boston November 6<sup>th</sup> 1694

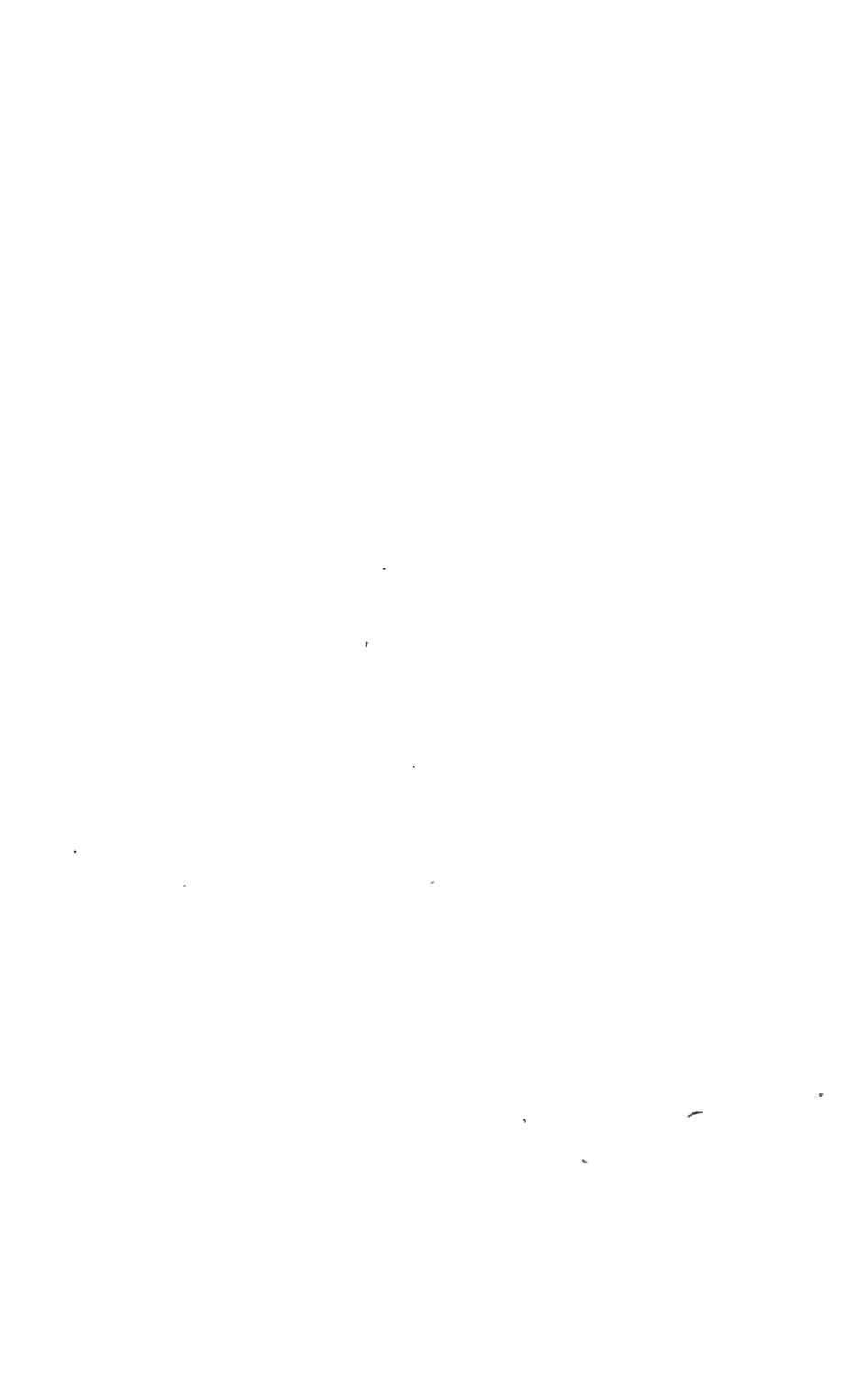
Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> Samuell Lee constable of Manchester by y<sup>e</sup> hands of M<sup>r</sup> Abram Masters eight pounds ten shilings & three pence in full of A warrant for eight pounds ten shillings & three pence I say reseved for M<sup>r</sup> James Tayler Treasurer Jeremiah Allens

[67]

At a town meeting Legaly warned and met together upon the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1694 Thomas Tewxbery moderater At y<sup>e</sup> same town meetting it was then voted by y<sup>e</sup> sd town and fully agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> present set of men namely Samuel Allen sen : Thomas Tewxbery & Thomas West Doe make sale of soo much of our town of Manchesters common Land as will amount to y<sup>e</sup> sum of 7 pounds mony it being to pay a Debt due from y<sup>e</sup> town to y<sup>e</sup> county Treasurer it being part of y<sup>e</sup> arrears and remainder of A rate comited to moses benett when he was constable to colect y<sup>e</sup> sd sale to be made and y<sup>e</sup> mony procured for to Answer y<sup>e</sup> abov sd dept by y<sup>e</sup> Last Day of January next ensuing y<sup>e</sup> date abovsd if y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen can have y<sup>e</sup> oportunitv ginkin Williams enters his Detest against y<sup>e</sup> Abovsd vote At y<sup>e</sup> same town meting Desember 6<sup>th</sup> 1694 Whearas their are severall constables in and belonging to our town of Manchester that are indebted to sd town on account of severall rates formerly comitted to them to colect & gather for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town and they refusing & neglect to pay namely John Allen Samuell Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> John pearce & Wm. Horsum it was at this sd meeting voted and agreed y<sup>t</sup> Leift John Siblee, doo Join with y<sup>e</sup> present selectmen or y<sup>e</sup> Major part of them who are heirby fully impow-ered to sue heavy & recover all & every of y<sup>e</sup> sd Debts of y<sup>e</sup> abovsd constables y<sup>t</sup> doe or shal apear to be due to y<sup>e</sup> sd towne

Att a town meeting legaly warned & mett together upon the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec 1694 John Siblee was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meetting John Abott was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryals at y<sup>e</sup> next generall sessions of y<sup>e</sup> peac & inferiour court of pleas to be holden at Salem y<sup>e</sup> last Tuesday of this instant Desember to apear at y<sup>e</sup> time & place abovesd at 9 oclock in y<sup>e</sup> morning







to attend their respective servis Accordingly and ony Allen was warned Likewise to atend on y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury as abovesd. [49] Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen upon y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of December 1694 then recond with John Allen as constable for a rate comitted to him for m<sup>r</sup> Eveleiths salery amounting to 29-3-6 bearing Date y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of february 169 & y<sup>e</sup> sd Allen have fuly cleared y<sup>e</sup> sd rate by account [50] Reseved of Constable Horsum in full my whole salery comitted to him to colect in y<sup>e</sup> time of his constabling I say reseved by me  
John Eveleith

Dated Desember 24<sup>th</sup> 1694

This is a true copy as Atest by me

Thomas Tewxbery Clar :

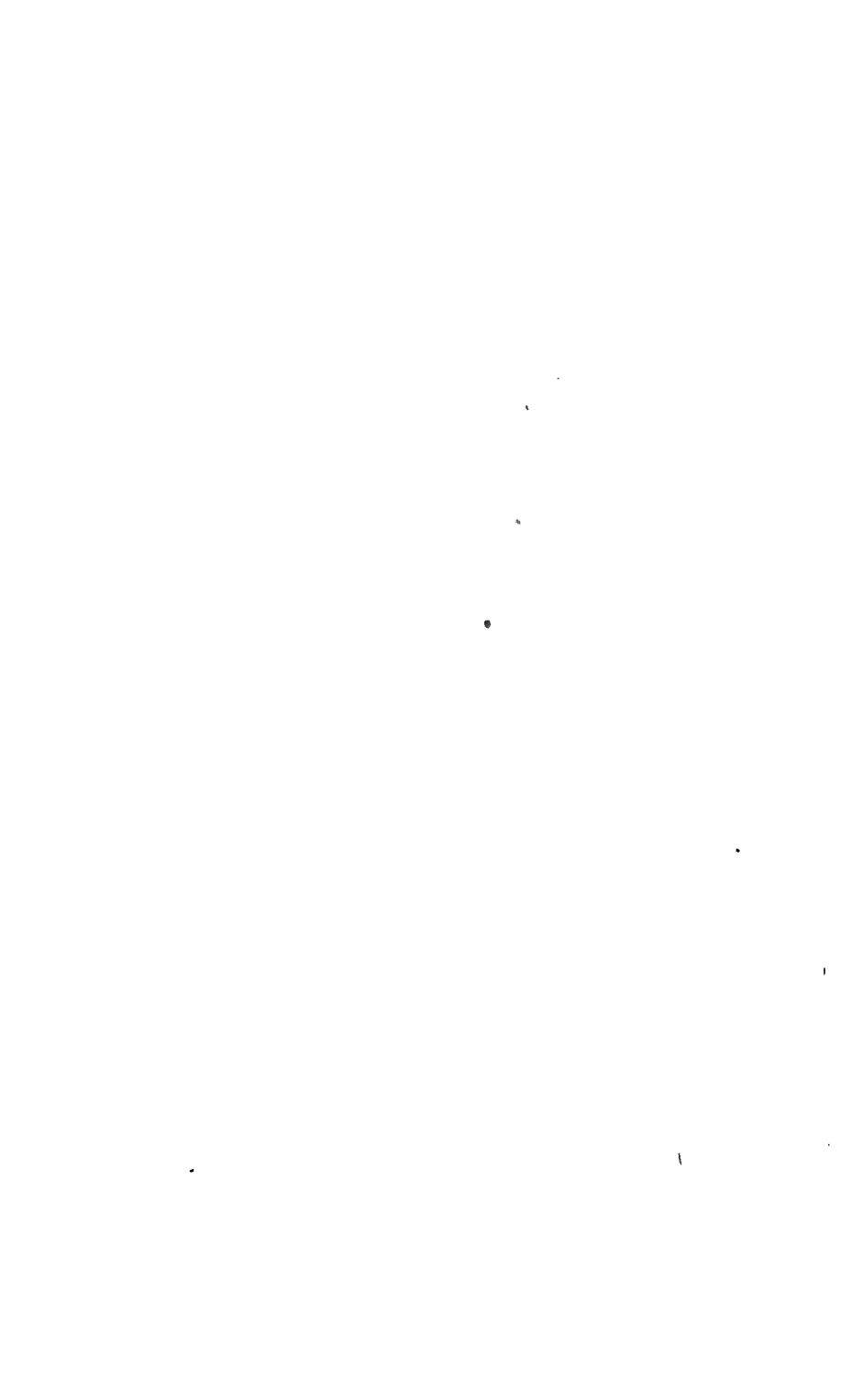
[68] Att A meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> comons Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of January 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  John Siblee was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same meettinge it was then voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> their should be A comon right confirmed & settled to & for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> ministry belonginge to y<sup>e</sup> towne of Manchester Att y<sup>e</sup> same meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors it was Voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> their should be five men chosen namely Thomas West John noltten sen : John Lee John Siblee Robart Leach or any two of them as overseers or Rangers to Looke to All intruders upon our comans & wear fuly impowered to sue or take Destres upon any ofenders in that kinde at their owne cost & charge Att y<sup>e</sup> same meettinge of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors it was voted & Agreed for A comity namely Thomas West Robart Leach & Thomas Tewxbery who wear then chosen & fuly Impowered to take a review of All y<sup>e</sup> coman rights of Manchester & to settle them in y<sup>e</sup> names of y<sup>e</sup> right posersers of them Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of february 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderator Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted to give y<sup>e</sup> same salery to m<sup>r</sup> Eveleith as was given y<sup>e</sup> Last year to say thirty five pound per year Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> Chony builde A barn eightene foott Long & sixteene foott wide & nine foott stud Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was Likewise Voted & Agreed to repaire y<sup>e</sup> fence Aboute y<sup>e</sup> personage ground aboute y<sup>e</sup> meettinge house Lott for this yeare

Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting it was Voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> their should be a grist mill sett up upon y<sup>e</sup> river by y<sup>e</sup> meettinge house att convenient place for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> town by John noltten sen : by y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of september next Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was

Likewise Voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> if Any Damage should fall to any person or persons Lands or meadow by means Acaused by setting up y<sup>e</sup> sd mill or yeuringe y<sup>e</sup> watter y<sup>e</sup> towne is to be att halfe y<sup>e</sup> cost & y<sup>e</sup> miller of sd mill at y<sup>e</sup> other halfe of sd cost of what sd Damage ensue [69] Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge it was voted & agreed to pay mister John Eveleiths salery by free contribution for one halfe yeare begininge the first of this instant february 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  & Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge whereas it was Voted & agreed to give m<sup>r</sup> John Eveleith his former salery to witt thirty five pounds per yeare y<sup>e</sup> sd m<sup>r</sup> Eveleith Doth consent to & with y<sup>e</sup> towne at y<sup>e</sup> same meetinge to take y<sup>e</sup> first haff of y<sup>e</sup> years salery before mentioned in sd meetinge in free contribution for y<sup>e</sup> aforsd half yeare & sd contribution is in full of sd half years salery & is in Discharge to y<sup>e</sup> towne Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> Coman Lands of manchester Legaly warned & mett to gether upon y<sup>e</sup> first day of march 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  Leift John Siblee was chosen morderator At y<sup>e</sup> same meetinge of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors Thomas West was chosen clarke for y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> coman Lands of Manchester Att y<sup>e</sup> same meetinge Thomas West & Robart Leach or either of them ar chosen & fully Impowered to prosecute all trespesars upon y<sup>e</sup> coman Lands

[63] Att A meetinge of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> comon Lands in Manchester Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of January 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  Whereas att A generall towne meetinge on y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1677 it was then voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> comans was ordered upon any division of comons made att any time to whome y<sup>e</sup> sd comon Lands should be Aloted & proportioned unto & only y<sup>e</sup> names of y<sup>e</sup> persons with their severall proportions or shares belonging to All such as then weare y<sup>e</sup> proper & faire propyretors of all y<sup>e</sup> coman Land & privileges belonging their to in sd Manchester but not soe Destinctly explained by y<sup>e</sup> recorde then made as by Vote was Agreed It is theirfore voted & more at Large explained at this sd meeting this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of January 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  as foloweth y<sup>t</sup> all such persons having Any perticular Lott or Lotts farme or farms granted by y<sup>e</sup> towne of Salem or Manchester livinge in our towne of sd manchester before y<sup>e</sup> yeare 1662 hath A coman wright belonging to each Lott & soe to each farme either in parte or y<sup>e</sup> whole of y<sup>e</sup> sd farme hath A coman right belonging theirto upon All Divisions which shall be made & soe Devided or undevided & for as much as severall persons having noe perticular propriety of Land





in sd towne y<sup>t</sup> hath been forward & ready in helping to Defray all publick charge in & for y<sup>e</sup> towne & espesially in y<sup>e</sup> Defence & preservation of our Coman Lands & priviledges belonging thei<sup>r</sup>to y<sup>t</sup> all such have A coman wright granted y<sup>t</sup> is to say to each person A single share in all y<sup>e</sup> sd coman Lands & preveledges thei<sup>r</sup>to belonging either Divided or undivided & none others then such as are heirafternamed with each persons name & his proportion of wright or wrights which he hath in y<sup>e</sup> coman Lands as aforesd shall have any propriety or intrest in sd coman Lands & priviledges in our towne of manchester otherwise then any such whome y<sup>e</sup> Majer parte of y<sup>e</sup> *Common Lands* propriyeters & intrested in y<sup>e</sup> abovsd premises see cause at *Majer Hall* Any *H. P. of the* time heirafter to grant unto & y<sup>e</sup> names & rights of y<sup>e</sup> Intresters of y<sup>e</sup> sd coman wrights & priveledges belonging thei<sup>r</sup>to in our towne of Manchester ar as foloweth To witt Thomas Bishop one single rite granted to him

Left John Siblee two rights & a third parte of a right y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> *J. Sibley 2/3* parte beinge on y<sup>e</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> parte of ffrinds farm which he bought William Allen one right & half for himself y<sup>e</sup> half right from his father Samuell Leach three rights & three quarters 1 right & quarter which was James Standish & a 3<sup>d</sup> parte of a right to y<sup>e</sup> *S. Leach 1 1/2* farme he bought wich was formerly friends *of Standish*

Robart Leach to right & 3 quarters & half a quarter a third parte of A right belonging two y<sup>e</sup> farme y<sup>t</sup> was frends *R. Leach 3/4*

[64] John norman two rights formerly granted to his mother & to y<sup>e</sup> Lotts he now posses John noltten one right & halfe he bought of nicholas vinsent with y<sup>e</sup> rest of s<sup>d</sup> vincent's estate

Samuell Allen sen two rights

John Lee one right & a halfe y<sup>e</sup> halfe right beinge parte of y<sup>t</sup> right which was granted to John west in behalf of sd lees mother

[64] Samuell Lee halfe a right it beinge y<sup>e</sup> other of y<sup>e</sup> right granted in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of his mother to sd John West

Aaron Benett two rights one from his father y<sup>e</sup> second to himselfes onysiphoras Allen one right & halfe one for himselfe & halfe a right from his father John Crow one right

y<sup>e</sup> Estate of Samuell frend two rights *Set S. Friend*

Joseph woodbery two rights formerly his fathers which he had from pitts Maverett & Chube

ginkin Williams one right which he had of nicholas woodbery belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Lott formerly pameters John Elathorpe one right granted him.

Thomas West three rights to say one to y<sup>e</sup> farm formerly Blackledge & one he bought of y<sup>e</sup> towne or proprietors of sd Manchester & A third he bought of Aron Benett which right was granted to y<sup>e</sup> Lott of his father william Benett Thomas Tewxbery one right granted to y<sup>e</sup> widow pickworth & belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Lott he hath bought which was formerly sd pickworths Isaac whitchars one right which was granted to his mother & soe to y<sup>e</sup> Lot he now poseseth

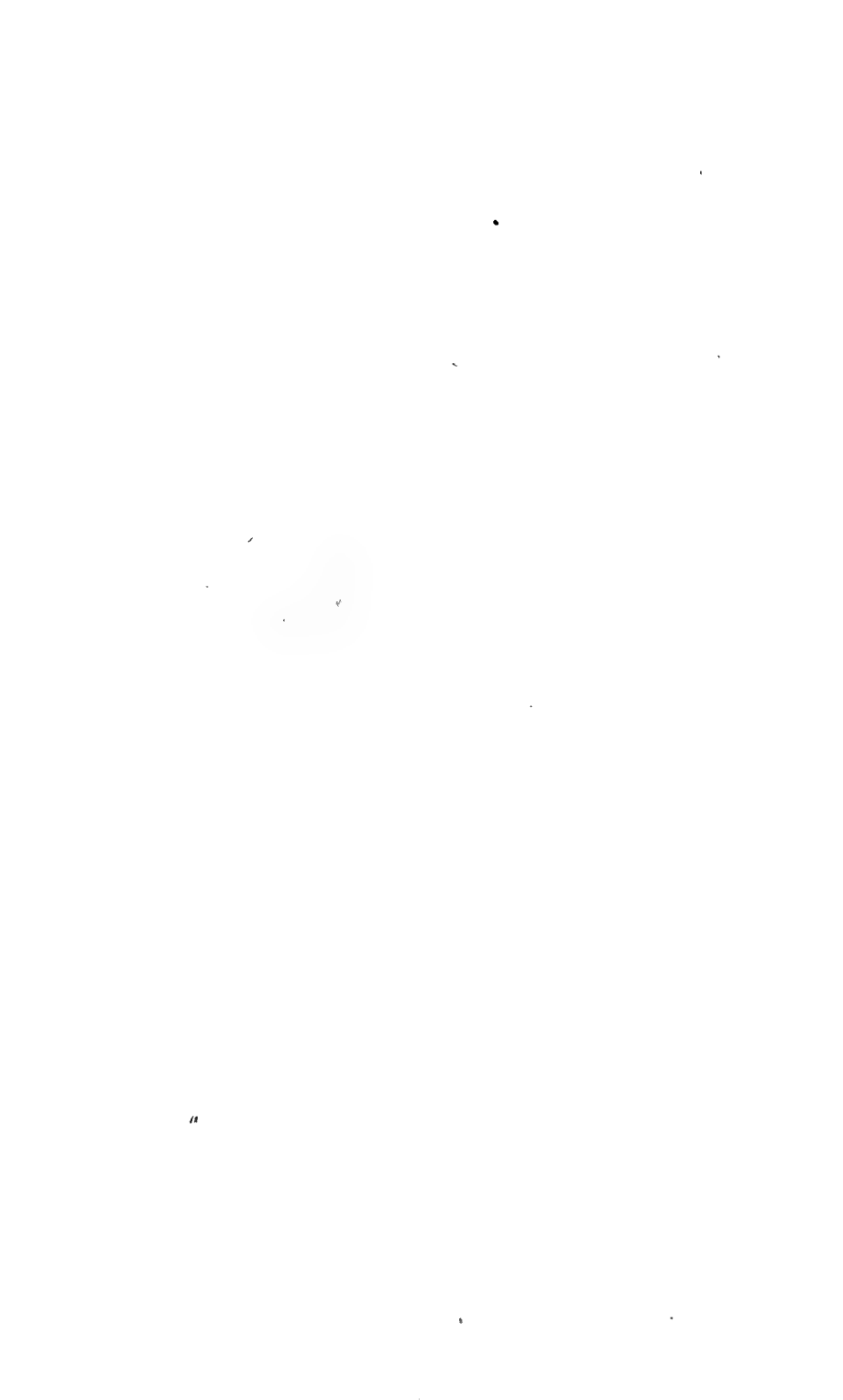
*Abram Masters*  
*A. Gale* Abram Masters one right which he bought of Ambross gale which did belonge to y<sup>e</sup> sd gales Land which he hath in manchester

Joseph pickworth & Abram masters one right which was granted to y<sup>e</sup> widow pickworth & to her Lot aforsd.

granted to y<sup>e</sup> personage one right

[26] Know all men by these presents y<sup>t</sup> we Samuell Allen sen : & Thos. Tewxbery of Manchester in y<sup>e</sup> county Essex in new England selectmen of sd Manchester having reseived 5 pounds curant money of new England of Thomas West of Beverly in y<sup>e</sup> county aforsd husbandman, as we are selectmen or Agents for Manchester for which consideration of y<sup>e</sup> sd 5 pounds being already paid to us this present Record wittness y<sup>t</sup> we y<sup>e</sup> sd Samuell Allen & Thos. Tewxbery for & in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of sd town have sold & doe by these presents sell alienate & confirm unto Thomas West of beverly in y<sup>e</sup> county aforsd to him his heirs executors or Assigns A certain comon right situate & being in y<sup>e</sup> comon Land with y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> comon rights belonging to y<sup>e</sup> proprietors theirow in sd manchester it being y<sup>e</sup> comon right y<sup>e</sup> sd town had of Moses Benett by proses or execution of Law y<sup>e</sup> sd West him his heirs executors or Assigns to have & to hold y<sup>e</sup> sd comon right for ever with all y<sup>e</sup> priveleges & Apurtenances theirow belonging whether undevied or after Devision made being ether in part or y<sup>e</sup> whole & wee y<sup>e</sup> sd Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen & sd Tewxbery as selectmen or Agents for y<sup>e</sup> sd town of Manchester doe by these presents bind our selves our heirs together with y<sup>e</sup> sd town of Manchester them their heirs or Assigns forever to make good unto y<sup>e</sup> sd West his heirs executors & Assigns y<sup>e</sup> abovsd comon right & to defend y<sup>e</sup> same against all other person or persons y<sup>t</sup> doe or shall at any time from henceforth Lay claime theirow & for which bargened premises as abovsd y<sup>e</sup> sd West doth acknowledge him self satisfied for y<sup>e</sup> abovsd 5 pounds & in testimony heirof we y<sup>e</sup> sd Samuell Allen & sd Thos. Tewxbery in y<sup>e</sup> name & in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> sd town of Manchester & ourselves & heirs have sett to







heir upon record our hands this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January Anno Dominum Thomas Tewxbery one thousand six hundred ninty fower ninty five

Bosten March 8<sup>th</sup> 169 $\frac{4}{5}$

Resevd of Samuell Lee constable of manchester by y<sup>e</sup> hands of M<sup>r</sup> William Horsum twelve pound fourteene shilings & nine pence in full of A warant for twelve pounce, fourteene shilings & nine pence

I say resed for M<sup>r</sup> James Tayler Tresurer

Jer : Allen

these two reseights ar true coppies of y<sup>e</sup> originall papers as Atest by me

Thomas Tewxbery Clar :

[50] Att a meetting of y<sup>e</sup> comittee Apointed for y<sup>e</sup> Manigment of All Affaires for y<sup>e</sup> building of y<sup>e</sup> new Meeting House in Manchester on y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of March 169 $\frac{4}{5}$  namely : John Siblee Robert Leach Thomas West & Samuell Allen sen : who then reconed with John pearce for a rate comited to him to defray y<sup>e</sup> charges for building y<sup>e</sup> sd house, sd rate amounting to 81 pounds mony y<sup>e</sup> sd rate bearing date October 13, 1692 y<sup>e</sup> sd pearce he being then constable & their remained due y<sup>e</sup> sd comitee on y<sup>e</sup> acount of y<sup>e</sup> sd rate from y<sup>e</sup> sd pearce to clear y<sup>e</sup> just sum of 3 pounds 15 shilings & 4 pence mony.

[70] Att A generall Town meettinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> twentieth second day of march 169 $\frac{4}{5}$  Robart Leach was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Thomas West John Siblee & Joseph woodbery wear chosen selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> yeare ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting Thomas Tewxbery was chosen Clark for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Ephram Joanes was chosen constable for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing & untill another is sworn Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge William Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> & Isaack whitchar wear chosen survayers of high ways & fenc vewers for this year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting Genkin Williams & Samuell Lee wear chosen Howards or feild Drivers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting Onysiphrus Allen & James pettman weare chosen tithing men for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge John Lee was chosen town treasurer for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meetinge John Bishop was chosen Clark of y<sup>e</sup> Markett for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing Att A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> comon Lands in manchester Legaly warned &

mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> of march 169<sup>5</sup> Robart Leach was chosen morderater for this meettinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> Leift John Siblee & Thomas West wear chosen & Impowered to goe to Ipswich court to have those by Laws confirmed as shall be found needfull for y<sup>e</sup> preservation of the coman rights

[66] We whose names are under written being chosen & Apointed as A comittee to order & Lay out severall small Lotts for y<sup>e</sup> comondation of ffishermen As in y<sup>e</sup> 2d book of Records Doth more fully Apear having mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1695 namely

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| Have bounded & granted out unto philip                      | John Siblee Sen <sup>r</sup> |
| Nichols A small parcell of Land as foloweth                 | Robart Leach                 |
| viz : from y <sup>e</sup> south corner of John Crows garden | Thomas West                  |
| & soe bounded northerly by sd crows Land to                 | John Elathorp                |
| Ginken Williams fence on y <sup>e</sup> est side southerly  |                              |

by sd williams fence to a heap of stones by sd williams fence & soe westerly to A stake & heap of stones & soe west notherly to his first bounds which sd Land he is peacably to enjoy he his heirs executors or Asigns for ever Acording to y<sup>e</sup> terms mentioned more at large in y<sup>e</sup> 2 Book of Records as Atest by me

Thomas Tewxbery Clar

Acording to A town order made in y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> book of records & likewise in y<sup>e</sup> 3d y<sup>t</sup> every seller of any part or parsell of Land is to give notiss to y<sup>e</sup> towne y<sup>e</sup> name of y<sup>e</sup> buyer & successor theirolf this is theirolf to sertifi to y<sup>e</sup> towne y<sup>t</sup> I have sold my pessionion all right & title in Manchester to Georg norten of boston ship weit as Atest by me Thomas Tewxbery

[70] Att a towne meettinge Legaly warned & meett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1695 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen for morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted and Agreed to send noe representative to this great Asembly at this court [71] Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>th</sup> of June 1695 John Siblee was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge Nathaniell Masters was voted & chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> grand jury for this yeare ensuinge at y<sup>e</sup> next inferiour court of plees held at Salem one y<sup>e</sup> Last tusday of this instant June Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge Isaack Whitchar was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryalls at y<sup>e</sup> next inferiour court to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last tuesday of this instant June by nine of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon Att a town meeting Legaly warned & mett together





upon y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>th</sup> of July 1695 John Siblee was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge Robart Leach was chosen comitonere to Joyne with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen for makinge y<sup>e</sup> Asesments to defray y<sup>e</sup> contry charges & to returne y<sup>e</sup> same Acording to Law

Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetinge y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> John norten shall have A small parsell of Land Liing before y<sup>e</sup> meeting house at y<sup>e</sup> watters side 5 pols wide & 6 pols wide at ye uper end for a building plase for vessels & to lay timber on for y<sup>e</sup> purpose provided he shall make improvement theirow for building house or vessel & prosecute it by y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of March next insuing y<sup>e</sup> date heirow & Att ye same town meeting it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> selectmen ar impowered to treat & Agree with M<sup>r</sup> John Eveleith for sum terme of time Acording to y<sup>e</sup> primeses before mentioned

[50] Boston July 3 1695 Reseved of Mr John pearce of Manchester 7 pounds in full of sd towns old arears I say reseved for Mr. James taylor Tresur: Jeremi Allen

This is A true copy of y<sup>e</sup> origenall as atest by me

Thomas Tewxbery town Clari:

[71] Att A towne meettinge warned & meet together upon y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1695 Thomas Tewxbery was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was Voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> ye selectmen shall have power to Agree with M<sup>r</sup> John eveleith for fower yeare at y<sup>e</sup> terms which hath been formerly treated about if he will Agree to it if not y<sup>e</sup> sd selectmen have power to see to gett another if possible as sone as thay can

Att a towne meeting Legally warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 26 Day of September 1695 John Siblee was chosen Morderater Att ye same towne meettinge Leift John Siblee Robert Leach Samuell Allen sen<sup>r</sup> Samuell Lee wear Chosen & fuly impowered to meett with beverly men to revue ratife or lay oute & confirm y<sup>e</sup> contry highway betwene beverly meetinge house and y<sup>e</sup> town of manchester

[65] Whearas complaint hath of late been made especialy by sum of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants of Manchester y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> highway or country road within y<sup>e</sup> township of Beverly between Manchester & Beverly Meeting house hath cow lots lye in sum places stopt & bard to y<sup>e</sup> prejudice of Travelers & y<sup>e</sup>sd highways in sum parts of it having gon sum times in one place & sum times in another & it being unsertain to both towns which is right y<sup>e</sup> sd towns viz: Beverly & Manchester have for y<sup>e</sup> removal of such impediments at present & preventing of such incumbrances for y<sup>e</sup> future Apointed

a committee from each town to settle & apoint wheare sd highway shall goo as they shall judge most convenient for both as by their respective records may apear beverlys bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1695 and Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of September 1695. Wee under named being y<sup>e</sup> Major part of y<sup>e</sup> comitte apointed for sd servise being mett together on y<sup>e</sup> place on y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> of Sept. 1695 have settled as followeth viz. from manchester to farmer west his house & by sd house & thence westward to y<sup>e</sup> estward end of y<sup>e</sup> pond as y<sup>e</sup> way now goeth & to be in breadth two pole & from thence to be 4 pole wide from high water mark upward untill it comes to Benjamin Woodberys upland & from thence through sd Woodberyes orchard & through his cornefeild & soe to a black oack A little to y<sup>e</sup> westward of sd benjamin woodberyes Dwelling house & to be 2 pole wide & from thence over y<sup>e</sup> hill as y<sup>e</sup> way now goes & soe along sd way untill it shal come unto A marked white pine & soe to A white oak stump marked on 3 sides & thence to a small white pine marked on 3 sides & thence to a walnut marked on 3 sides & from thence to A black oack marked on 3 sides & from thence westward to A Rock & thence to A piclpine marked as before & soo over plumb cove pond & thenc to y<sup>e</sup> point of Rocks northeast of Richard Overs pasture next plumb cove & soe into y<sup>e</sup> road y<sup>t</sup> now is sd highway to be southerly from all y<sup>e</sup> forementioned bounds & to be 2 pole wide & from thence to beverly meeting house as y<sup>e</sup> way now goes & to be 2 pols wide & it is Agreed upon by & between y<sup>e</sup> committee undernamed & Richard thissill in consideration of y<sup>e</sup> highways going over plumb cove pond sd richard thissill is to Allow all y<sup>e</sup> Land y<sup>t</sup> sd highway goeth over or taketh away of his

This is a true copy of y<sup>e</sup> originall as attest

by me

Thomas Tewxbery Clari :

John Dodge

Will<sup>m</sup> Raymont

John Siblee

Andrew Eliott

paule thorndik

Robart Leach

Samuell Allen sen

[72] Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & meett together upon y<sup>e</sup> first day of november 1695 Robart Leach was chosen Moroderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meettinge Thomas Tewxbery was chosen to serve in y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury & John Elathorpe & Samuell Lee to serve in y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryalls att y<sup>e</sup> superior court of judicature court of Assize & generall goale Delevery to be holden at Salem one y<sup>e</sup> second tuesday of november Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge it was voted & agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> select men are fuly Impowered to treate & Agree with m<sup>r</sup> Edward Tompson for forty five pound per year &







not exceed for y<sup>e</sup> caring on y<sup>e</sup> worke of y<sup>e</sup> ministry among us. Att y<sup>e</sup> same meettinge it was voted & Agreed y<sup>t</sup> their be A rate made forthwith by y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Amounting to six pounds for to Defray charges aboute transporting hether ye sd Tompson & his family & for y<sup>e</sup> repairinge y<sup>e</sup> Dwelling house for sd minister if they can Agree with him for years.

Att a town meeting Legaly warned & meett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Day of november 1695 Thomas west was chosen morderater. Att ye same towne meettinge it was then Voted & agreed to pay to Leift John Siblee or any other person three shilings per time for every sabaths entertainment for y<sup>e</sup> ministers dyett & logging for y<sup>e</sup> times past since y<sup>e</sup> first of september last & untill we have A minister settled with us & ye select men are heirby Impowered to make A rate upon y<sup>e</sup> ratable inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> towne & committ the same forth with to y<sup>e</sup> constable who is required to collect y<sup>e</sup> same forthwith for y<sup>e</sup> Defrayinge of y<sup>e</sup> charges aforesd. Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting the 28<sup>th</sup> of november 1695 it was voted and agreed that the town shall pay tweenty shillings y<sup>e</sup> woolf in money for a grown woolf and five shilings for a woolf whelp to any person or persons for kiling the same within the presinks of the township of Manchester makeing it appear to y<sup>e</sup> select men of sd town by bringing the head or heads of the sd woolf or woolves so kiled as aforesd unto the sd selectmen & the selectmen are heirby impowered forthwith to make a Rate to defray all such debt or debts that shall be made by any person or persons from time to time as abovsd Att a towne meeting Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Day of Desember 1695 John Siblee was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meettinge John noltan jun<sup>r</sup> was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> jury of tryalls at y<sup>e</sup> superior court to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last tusday of this instant Desember 1695

[52] boston Desember 6<sup>th</sup> 1695 received of m<sup>r</sup> Ephram Jons constable of manchester by the hand of m<sup>r</sup> richard trivit ten pounds in full of a warrant for ten pounds I say recd for my master

m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler treasurer

Jer Allens

[73] Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together upon y<sup>e</sup> last Day of January 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  John Siblee was chosen morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same town meeting it was voted to give M<sup>r</sup> John Emerson After ye rate of forty five pounds per yeare as longe as he performs y<sup>e</sup> office of y<sup>e</sup> minstry Amongst us all other charge excepted & Likewise y<sup>e</sup> select men ar ferther Impowered to make & rate from half yeare to half year for y<sup>e</sup> Discharge of y<sup>e</sup> abovsd

Emersons salery Acordinge to y<sup>e</sup> vote at this towne meettinge for as longe as he suply y<sup>e</sup> place of A minister of y<sup>e</sup> gosple Amongst us his year begininge y<sup>e</sup> first of february 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

[50] Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen february 26 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  A county rate was made amounting to thirtene shillings & fower pence & comitted to constable Ephram Joanes to be paid y<sup>e</sup> first of Aprell next to y<sup>e</sup> county tresurer Att a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen on y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of february 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  their was A rate made Amounting to  $\overset{\text{£}}{3}$ - $\overset{\text{s.}}{13}$ - $\overset{\text{d.}}{6}$  money & comited to ephram Joanes constable to be paid to y<sup>e</sup> new selectmen at or before y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of march next ensuing for to Defray y<sup>e</sup> charges about y<sup>e</sup> ministers entertainment at several times.

[76] At a town meting Leaguely warned and meet to gather upon the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 1696 at the same town meeting m<sup>r</sup> Thomas West was chosen moderater for this present meting at the same town meeting it was voted and agreed to give m<sup>r</sup> John Emerson 45<sup>s</sup> pounds for the year insuing at the same town meeting it is voted and that are m<sup>r</sup> thomas west Lieft John Siblee and samuell allen senier are chosen and fully impowered to agree with m<sup>r</sup> John Emerson to carry on the ministry of the gospill amongst us for the year insuing his sallery not to exceed 45 or 6 pounds for the yeare in mony

[73] Att A towne meettinge Legaly warned & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1696 John Siblee was chosen Morderater Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge was chosen Robart Leach John Lee and Isaack whitchar, Select men for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge John Bishope was chosen Constable for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing & untill Another is sworne Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge John Ley was chosen towne clerke for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meetting Leift John Siblee Robart Leach & Thomas West wear chosen A comittee for & in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> towne to treat & Agree with a Scoolmaster to teach our children to read & to wright & to make an Agreement if thay can with sd scoole master Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting William Horsum & Samuell Ley wear chosen servayers for highways & fence vewers Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge Onysiphorus Allen & Arron Bennett sen<sup>r</sup> weare chosen tything men for y<sup>e</sup> yeare ensuinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meeting John Bishope was chosen culler of staves & other goods as by Lawe may be required & packer of fish for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuinge Att y<sup>e</sup> same towne meettinge Daniell williams & nathaniell Hamelton wear chosen feild Drivers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing





[51] we whos names are underwritten being chosen by each town respectively as appears to us have met to gather this 22<sup>th</sup> of April 1696 at the east end of grays beach at a white oake being the bounds betwen the two towns namely glosester & manchester and have renewed the bounds from thence norwesterly to white pine with a heap of stons about it caled by the name of gardners tree, from manchester Robart Leach Isack Whicher & John Ley from glosester Richard Doliber John parsons These may sertify hom it may consarn that John parsons & richard Doliber is appointed to renew the bounds betwen manchester & glosester from the white oake tree at the beach & so to the end of the bounds Glosester the 21<sup>th</sup> 1696 by order of the selectmen

Samuell Sargant

[52] Boston may the 4<sup>th</sup> 1696 received of m<sup>r</sup> Ephram Jons Constable of manchester twelve pounds 2<sup>d</sup> in full two warrants amounting to twelve pounds two pence received for m<sup>r</sup> James tayler treasurer

Jer Allens

[51] At a town meting leaguely warned & met together upon the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1696 John Ley was chosen moderater for this present meeting. At the same town meeting it was voted & agreed to send no Representative to the Great & General cort to be holden at boston the 27<sup>th</sup> of this instant May. At the same town meting it was voted & agreed to build a new pound or repaire the old one forthwith in sum convenient place where the selectmen shall appoint

At a meting of the selectmen upon the 18<sup>th</sup> of May 1696 there was A rate made & comited to constable John bishop to colect and gather amounting to 22 pounds 18 sh 5 pence in curent mony to discharg Mr. Jno Emersons sallory for one half year to be collected and gathered and payed to the Sealectmen at or before 1st day of July next insuing the Date hareof.

[52] The 25<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1696 then Received of Ephraim Joans as he was Constable in the year 1695 the Just sum of three pounds thirteene shillings & six pence it being the Just sum of a town Rate committed to him to Colect the sd Rate Bearing Date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of feberery 169<sup>5</sup> to say Received by John Siblee and Thomas West being selectmen for manchester for the same year 1695 and part of the year 169<sup>5</sup> the sd Rate Colected as abov sd to Defray or Discharge the town of a Debt Due to the sd John Siblee twenty two times entertainment of M<sup>r</sup> Emerson and M<sup>r</sup>. Tomp-

son and others at three shillings p<sup>r</sup> time According to Agreement With the town bearing Date the 28<sup>th</sup> of November 1695: the sd sum Amounting to three pounds six shillings: and three shillings paid to William Allen mony due from the town and four shillings and six pence to sd Siblee and sd West towards the Defraying their charge in procuring of M<sup>r</sup> Tompson from Newbery

at a meting of the sealectmen may the 27<sup>th</sup> 1696 John newman richard Dodge sen<sup>r</sup> John Edwards sener samuell killam John coy & nathaniel waldin or any two of them or so many of them as shall appear and Desired and apointed to goe on perambulation on the line and renew the bounds betwen our towne and manchester with sich jentlemen of manchester as shall appear appointed for said servise and to met a the hous of John Coy in wenham on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant may at about ten of the oelock in the forenoon if faire weather if not then the next Day at the time afore said Coppia vera as in wenham town book of reacords examined

John Newman town Clerk

We whose names are hereunto subscribed being appointed by the selectmen of sd towns of wenham & manchester to perambulate the lyne & renew the bounds betwen sd towns we have accordingly being met together this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1696 — at the grate white oak tree marked with a W & M & set about with stons & also A small black oak tree standing on a small knowl & a clump of maples standing in the swamp where two were marked & we renewed them & we should have renewed the hemlock tree standing on the of a hill & the pine stump next Ipswich lyne but by reason of the wettness of the swamp we could not come at them but we doe own them as bounds betwen y<sup>e</sup> towns and in witness whareof we have hereunto set our hands this day

|                 |                  |                   |        |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|--------|
| John Siblee     | } for manchester | John newman       | } for  |
| Thomas West     |                  | John Coy          |        |
| Abraham Masters |                  | nathaniel woldren |        |
|                 |                  | Samuell Killam    |        |
|                 |                  |                   | Wenham |

[69] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together upon the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1696 robburd Leach was chosen moderator for this present meting: at the same town metting aron benet was chosen to serve on the grand jury for the year insuing: at the town metting John Allin was chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next infearyear Coart of pleas to be holded at Salem the last tewsdays of this instant June

[53] Know all men by these presents that I Mr John Evelith







now minister at infield in the county of hamsheire formerly minister at manchester doe by these presents upon good consideration moving me thereunto I doe fully & clearly discharge the abovsd town of manchester of all dues depts & demands concerning all contracts between myselfe & abovsd town from the beginning of our metting together upon the publick minnistry to this day being the 22<sup>d</sup> of July 1696 in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand the day aforsd.

John Eveleith

Thomas West Thomas Tewxbery John Ley.

[57] At a meeting of the Committee on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1696 being chosen & Impowered for the manigment of Building the new Meeting hous in Manchester namely John Siblee sen. Roberd Leach Thomas West Samuella Allen sen. John Ley & William Allen being then mett together on the day abovsd a true Acompt was taken by the sd Committee of what each & every person in & belonging to the sd towne Disbursed & paid in mony by rate & by team work in halling all the materials of sd hous in place & other nesesity charges about the sd hous: and is Recorded to each & every person his particuler sum & propotion which he paid which is as foloweth

|                     |    |    |    |                     |    |    |    |
|---------------------|----|----|----|---------------------|----|----|----|
| Sergt. John Siblee  | 05 | 15 | 00 | John Bishop         | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| Samuella Allen sen. | 03 | 05 | 00 | Mark pittman        | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| James Pittman       | 01 | 10 | 00 | John Siblee jun     | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Joseph Woodbery     | 03 | 08 | 00 | Manin Day           | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Isaack Whiteryre    | 01 | 10 | 00 | Samuella Allen junr | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| Thomas Ayheire      | 02 | 00 | 00 | Joseph Allen        | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Abraham Marsters    | 02 | 05 | 00 | phillip Nicholls    | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| Mark Tricker        | 01 | 04 | 00 | Nathl. Marsters     | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Richard haiz        | 01 | 00 | 00 | Thomas West         | 05 | 08 | 00 |
| Daniell William     | 01 | 00 | 00 | Est. Samuella Leach | 04 | 01 | 06 |
| Richerd pearce      | 00 | 12 | 00 | Ginken Williams     | 02 | 05 | 00 |
| William Allen       | 02 | 15 | 00 | John Elithorp       | 02 | 15 | 00 |
| Ezekell Knowlton    | 01 | 00 | 00 | Aron Bennett        | 03 | 00 | 00 |
| John Knowlton       | 01 | 00 | 00 | Charles Knight      | 02 | 05 | 00 |
| John Bixt           | 01 | 10 | 00 | John Pearce         | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Ephraim Joans       | 01 | 10 | 00 | Moses Bennitt       | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| Robert Knight       | 01 | 05 | 00 | Samuella West       | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| Robert Leach        | 07 | 04 | 00 | Richerd Bishop      | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| John Ley            | 04 | 15 | 06 | Robert Warin        | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| Richard Glas        | 02 | 05 | 00 | Nathaniel Hamlin    | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| John Abutt          | 02 | 00 | 00 | Thomas Tweexbery    | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Thos. Bishop        | 01 | 00 | 00 | Samuella Ley        | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| John Allen          | 02 | 10 | 00 | John Croe           | 01 | 06 | 00 |
| William Horsum      | 01 | 00 | 00 | Richard Leatherers  | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Ouisephirus Allen   | 02 | 09 | 00 | John Normen         | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| John West           | 01 | 10 | 00 | George pearce       | 01 | 00 | 00 |

[137] Boston July 30<sup>th</sup> 1696 Rec<sup>d</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> John bishop constable of manchester six pounds in part of two warrants amounting to eight pounds eighteen shillings received for m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler treasurer

Jer allens

[51] At a meeting of the selectmen on the 22 day of July 1696 And then Reckoned with Samuell Allen J<sup>r</sup> for all Rates Committed to him to Colect and gather when he was Constable and the sd Allen hath Cleared and Discharged all the sd Rates Committed to him as above said

[74] Att a town meting leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the 5<sup>th</sup> of august 1696 Lieftenant John Siblee was chosen moderater for this present meeting At the same town meting Robberd Leach Isaack whicer and John Ley ware chosen assesers to make the assesments of twelve pounds forthwith acording to warrant Att a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1696 Lieft. John Siblee was chosen moderater for this present meting at the same town meting it was voted & agreed to have a contrybution for the minister for this next half yeare and it is voted that thomas west John Siblee Robburd Leach Samuell Allen Joseph woodbery Jeams pitman Samuell Ley and John bishop Samuell Allen jun<sup>r</sup> and John Ley shall contribute

[75] At a town meeting leaguallly warned and mett together in manchester on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of October 1696 Whareas the country highway which was lately Laid out within the presinks of the town of beaverly on the beach namely wests beach being now brocken up by reason of the pond breacking into the sea which makes that part of the way very hazardable and Dificult for travillers and it being signified to us by the sd town of beaverly their redines to consider and Doe that which may be best and most secure and convenient for travillers by renewing or Laying out away — it may be found as sich gentlemen of beaverly and manchester that are chosen and impowered by each town respectively them or the majer part of them Doo Agree and in order — we the said town of manchester have at this said meting chosen and fully Impowered lieft. John Siblee robert leech Samuell allin sinor Joseph wodbery John ley Jams pitman they or the mager part of them to joyn with sich gentlemen of beaverly as are alike chosen and Impowered by sd beaverly to doo the work abovesd





[69] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together upon the 19<sup>th</sup> of october 1696 thomas west was chosen moderater for this present meting at the same town meting it was voted that the bell now procured by m<sup>r</sup> John Emerson shall be hanged in the meeting hous as soon as it can be with convenyance

[74] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together upon the 28<sup>th</sup> of october 1696 Lieft John Sibly was chosen moderater for this present metting at the same metting m<sup>r</sup> George norten and John pearce ware chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryalls and Jams Smith on the gran Jury at the next superior cort to be holden at Salem on the 10<sup>th</sup> of november next insuing At the same town meting it was voted and agreed to give to Ephram Jons one pound and fower shillings per year for to ring the bell and swepe the metting hous and to perform the office of a sacston acording to orders of the sealect men

[127] Boston november 9<sup>th</sup> 1696 Received of m<sup>r</sup> John bishop constable of manchester by the hands of Elihab Littlefield two pounds eighteen shillings in full of two warants amounting to eight pounds eighteen shelling rec<sup>d</sup> for m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler treasurer Jer Allens

[138] Boston november 9<sup>th</sup> 1696 Received of m<sup>r</sup> John bishop constable of manchester three pounds two shillings in part of a warant for twelve pounds received for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor Jer Allens

At a meting of the selectmen of manchester Desember 20<sup>th</sup> 1696 there was a rate and committed to constable John Bishop to collect and gather amounting to 24 pounds 3 shillings & 6 pence which is for M<sup>r</sup> John Emersons Salery for one half year and other nesenary charges to colect & gather and payment to be made to the select men at or before 20<sup>th</sup> day of January next insuing

[75] At a town meting leaguallly warned and met to gather on the 25<sup>th</sup> of Desember 1696 Whareas seaverall persons in and belonging to our town of manchester have no sarten place for thare being seated in the meting hous and some who ware seated being Disorderly by leaving them and taking others to the greate offence of most part of the town and for the acomodating of such as want seats and the prevention of such as are Disorderly It is at the sd meting voted for a commity who ware leaguallly chosen namely lift John Siblee roberd Leach thomas west m<sup>r</sup> Georg norton samuell allin seneir John Ley Jeams petman

who are apointed and fully Impowered thay or the major part of

them to place all such parsons belonging to our town from time to time as thay or the majer part of them shall see nesenary and convenient within the meting hous as also to order the building of any new seat or seats in the sd hous at the charg of him or them whom the sd committye Doo Apoint as thare places to sit in the sd hous and are hereby fully Impowered to prevent all such Iregulations that are or may be by any person or persons at any time or tims by seating themselves in the sd meting hous without orders from the aforesd committee

[76] And it is allso voted that the sd committee are to seate each and every parson from time to time as thare is ocation in the sd meting hous According to each and every persons proportion that he paid towards the building of the sd hous and allso According to what such Doe now pay to the ministry as nere as they can unless in case of any antient grave sober persons and of good conversation

[53] Reseived of m<sup>r</sup> John bishop constable of manchester the full and Just sum of twenty two pounds ten shillings mony being all my Due from sd town of manchester for my first half years work in the ministry among them which began february the 1<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>8</sup>

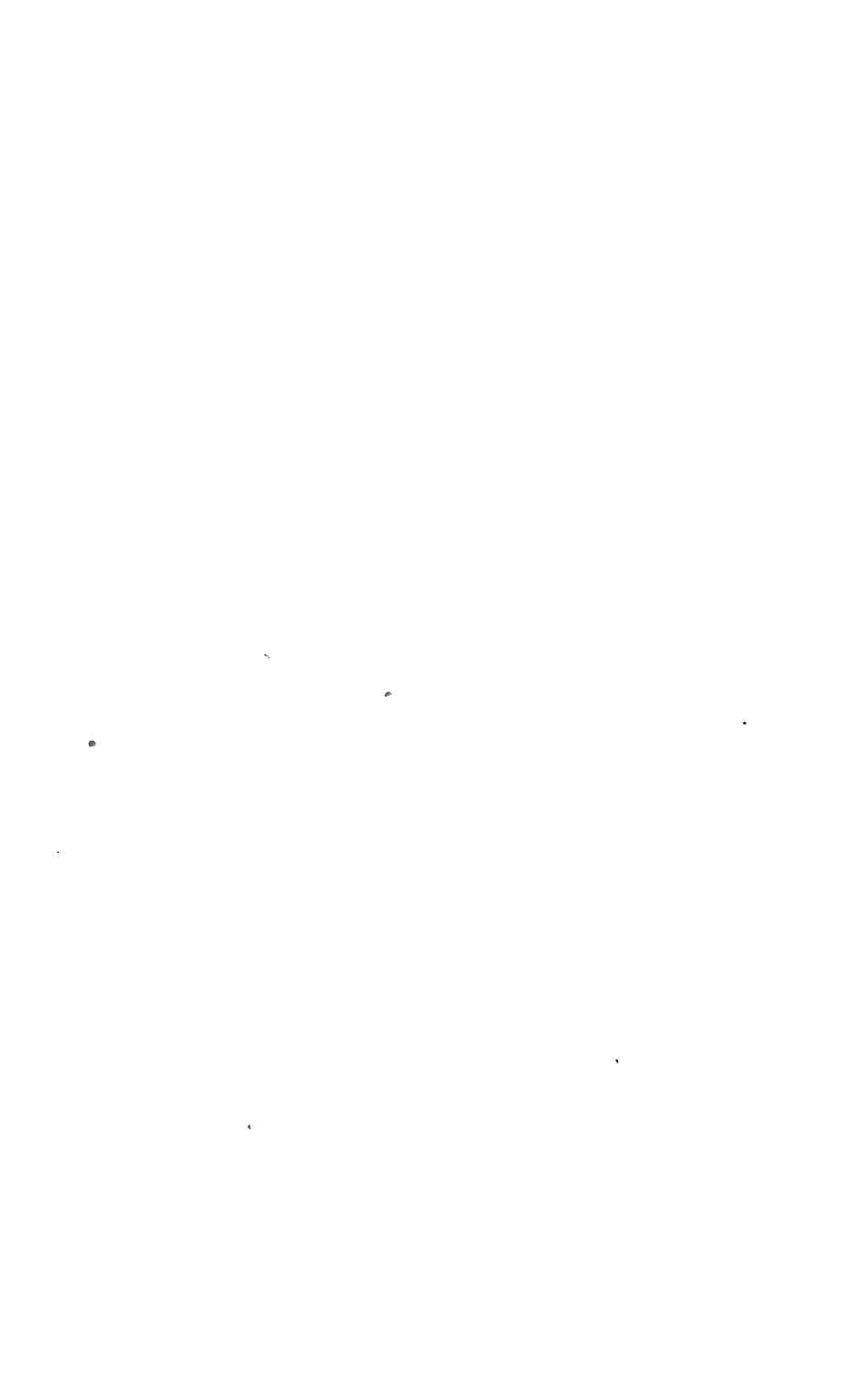
I say reseivid by <sup>me</sup> John Emerson Junier  
manchester february the 5<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>8</sup>

[76] At a town meeting Leaguely warned & met together upon the 19<sup>th</sup> of march 169<sup>8</sup> Liefert John Siblee was chosen moderater for this present meeting At the same town meting Liet John Siblee John Ley and James pitman was chosen sealect men for the year ensuing At the same town meting Abram mastus was chosen constable for the year insuing At the same town meting Isack Whicher and John bishop was chosen seavaiers of fences and field Drivers for the year insuing At the same town meting Samuell Lee and John Allin was chosen seaviers of high wayes for the year insuing At the same town meting aron bennet and onysiphros ware chosen tithing men for the year insuing At the same town meting John bishop was chosen clark of the market and culler of fish and staves

[77] Att a town meeting Legally Warned and meett together on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of March 169<sup>8</sup>

Whereas there hath ben much Damige Done upon our town of Manchester Common Land by cutting & sum tims Carying away our timber from of our sd Common Land by strangers not belong-







ing to our sd town especially this Last Winter & having no person or persons fully impowered by our sd town to prosicute any such offenders as already hath ben or hereafter may be found to bee trespassers upon our sd Common Land. Therefore it is voted and agreed at this sd meeting for one or more meett persons who are chosen agents or Atorneys to & for the sd town of Manchester at this sd meeting & are hereby fully impowered by the sd town namely Thomas West of beverly & Robert Leach of Manchester them or either of them to prosecute the Law or to agree with any such person or persons as may bee found to have trespassed upon our town Common Land by cutting or Caring away any of our Wood or Timber upon or from off our Common Land as abovsd from the time of the first day of October last past : and allso such as may be found to trespass for the time to come after the date of this sd metting for one whole year. And further it is voted for all charges of time & mony that is or may be Disbursed & spent from time to time in prosicution or Agreement with any such Trespassers as abovsd : the town shall bear one half of the charge : & the persons impowered as abovsd to bear the other half of sd charge And all mony that may bee Recovered from time to time by sute or Agreement the person Inpowered as abovsd they to have the one half for their own perticular use & the town to have the other half to Improve for the use of y<sup>e</sup> town

[74] It At a town metin Leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the seaventh of may 1697 M<sup>r</sup> thomas west was chosen moderater for this present metting At the same town meting It is voted and agreed to send no representative to the greate and generall cort to be holden at the town hous in boston upon wensday y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of may 1697

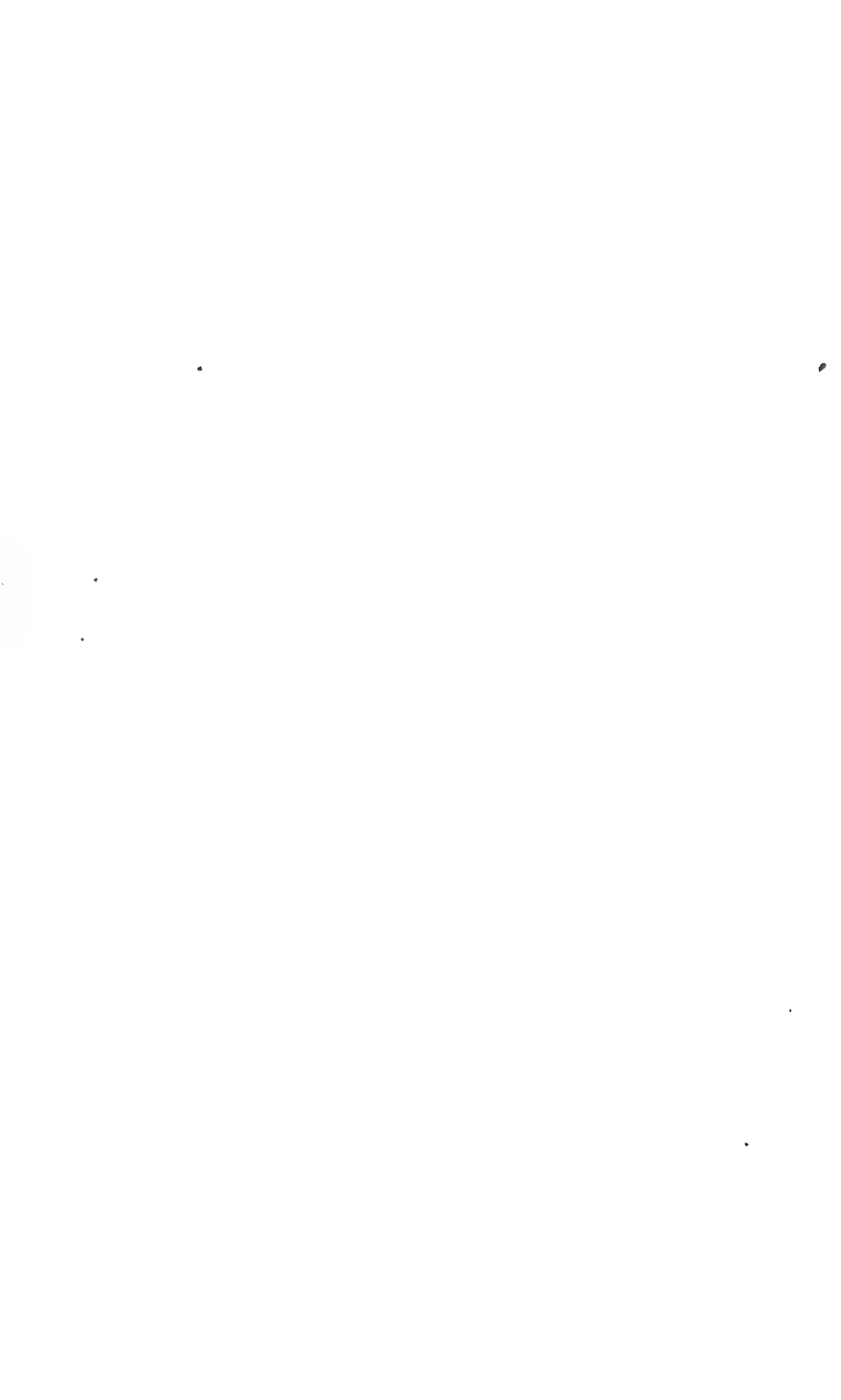
[80] It At a town meting in manchester Leaguely warned and met to gather march 8<sup>th</sup> 1697 John Siblee is chosen moderater this present meting It at the same meting Leift John Siblee m<sup>r</sup> thomas west m<sup>r</sup> Richard walker are chosen sealectmen for the year Insuing It at the same meting John knowton is chosen cunstable for the year ensuing and Aron bennit and onysiphros allen are chosen tything men It John pearce and Abram mastus are chosen sevaers of high wayes and thomas betis and thomas ayers fence vewers and field Drivers and John Ley town clark It John bishop clark of the market and culler

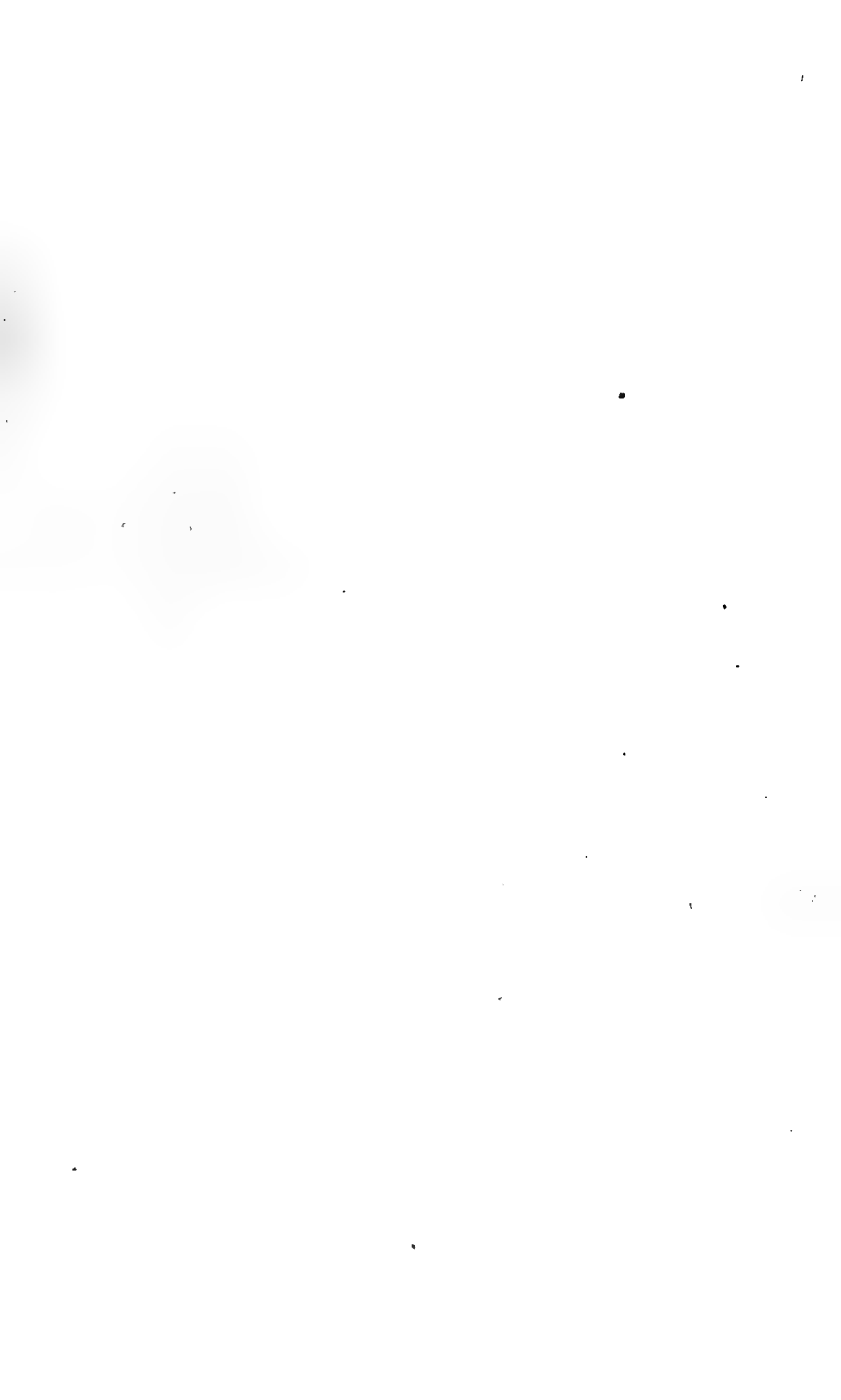
[54] We whose names are underwritten being committies cho-

sen by each of our towns viz: beverly & manchester to lay out a contry highway in sd town of beverly towards manchester in such a place and places whare by reason of a breach or eruption at y<sup>t</sup> Beach between Mr beniamin woodberys & Mr Thomas Wests such a contry road or highway as is needful and wanting we Doe agree & for a final Ishewe & conclution about the aforesd matter Doe determine that the contry road or highway from Mr. Thomas West aforesd toward beverly shall begin at the west end of sd wests cassway whare the way was formerly laid out & so from thence by a 3 raild fence on the rigt hand and so neer straight til you com to the next hill in sd wests field & from thence betwen sd Wests old field & his middle field to a vally leading down to his meddow almost at the head of the pond & over sd meddow to the sd wests Land on the norwest side of sd meddow & and from thence over the hill on sd wests Land till you come to the common on the north of cornelius larcoms Land & from thence over sd common Land southwesterly till you come to sd beniamin woodberys most southerly bars that let out into the common Land aforesd & from sd bars into & through sd woodberys pasture Land southwesterly tell you come to the old highway at a white pine tree marked on 2 sides sd pine tree standing on the south side of sd way In witness whareof & for the full confirmation of all & singular the primises abovsd we the sd committies have heirunto interchangably set our hands this 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1697

|                          |   |                      |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------|
| beverly<br>Committey     | { | Andrew Eliott        |
|                          |   | paul thorndik        |
|                          |   | william raymond      |
|                          |   | Samuell Corning      |
| Manchesters<br>Committey | { | John Siblee          |
|                          |   | Robert Leach         |
|                          |   | Samuell Allin senier |
|                          |   | John Ley             |

[58] Att a meting of the sealectmen in manchester on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 1697 two rate Lists made by us the sealect men for the cuntry amounting to ninepounds six shillings and five pence each list and committed to constable abram mastus to colect and gather At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1697 there was a rate made amounting to twenty three pounds sixteen shillings and nine pence mony which is to Discharge the towne





for one Debt to m<sup>r</sup> Emersons half years sallery which began the first of february Last past and other nesasery charges and is committed to constable abram mastus to collect and gather who is requered by warrent to paye in the aforesd sum of 23 pounds 16 shillings and nine in mony to the sealect men at or before the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of July next Insuing for the use aforesaid

[77] At a town meting Leaguallly and met to gather on the 25<sup>h</sup> of June 1697 Lieft John Siblee was chosen moderatter for this present meting At the same meting John tarren was chosen to sarve on the gran Jury for the year Insuing At the same meting John bishop was chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals at the next cort at Salem

[133] It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester on the 24 Day of august 97 thare was a cuntry rate made amounting to the sum of 09-04-04 and is committed to constable abram mastus to colect and gather [135] Reseaved of Mr Abram mastus constable of manchester by y<sup>e</sup> hands of m<sup>r</sup> samuell phillips nine pounds fifteen shillings and three pence in part of a warrant for Eigheen pounds Rec<sup>d</sup> for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer Jer Allin

Boston May 28<sup>th</sup> 1697

Boston september 11<sup>th</sup> 1697

Reseived of m<sup>r</sup> Abraham mastus constable of manchester by the hands of m<sup>r</sup> John neale six pounds in part of a warant for eighteen pounds rec<sup>d</sup> for m<sup>r</sup> James taylor treasurer Jer Allen

[78] At a town meting Leagally warned and met to gather upon the 22<sup>th</sup> of november 1697 Lieft John Siblee was chosen moderatter for this present meting At the same town meting it was voted to have M<sup>r</sup> John Emerson to preach the gospill amongst us for the remainder of this year and the year Insuing and to continue his former sallery of 45 pounds mony and to have a free contribution 4 times a year the last sabbath of every was for the year Insuing At the same town meting it is voted and agreed that m<sup>r</sup> thomas west shall joyn with the sealect men to agree with m<sup>r</sup> John Emerson to carry on the work of the minnistry of the gospill amongst us for one whole year after the first of feberwary next Insuing and the sealectmen are hearby fully Impowered to make a Rate for the aforesd sumb of 45 pounds for sd Emersons sallery for the year Insuing

[58] At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the

23<sup>th</sup> of november 1697 a cuntry rate was made amounting to the sumb of 12-01-04 and committed to constable Abram mastus to collect and gather and pay in to the cuntry treasurer At a meting of the sealectmen of manchester upon the 27<sup>th</sup> of november 1697 there is a town rate made Amounting to the sum of 24-09-00 with a warrant annexed tharto And is committed to constable abram mastus to collect and gather and make payment of it unto the sealect men at or before the sixteenth Day of feberwary next Insuing the Date aforesd y<sup>e</sup> sum of 24-09-00 being Dew from the town to m<sup>r</sup> John Emerson for one half years sallery begun first of august last past and other nesessary charges

[137] It at a meting of the sealect men on the seaventh of January 1698 there was a rate made for the payment of m<sup>r</sup> John Emersons sallery for his last half year began the first Day of august 1698 the sd rate Amounting to the Just sum of twenty three pounds fourteen shillings and six pence mony the said rate being committed to constable Isack whicher to collect and out of it to pay to sd Emerson twenty two pounds ten shillings to gather with what mony sd emerson hath received in his Last half year as abov sd by contribution the account of the said rate and the remainder of the sd rate being one pound four shillings and six pence sd constable is ordered to pay to the sea lectmen or thare order for the use of the town and also sd constable is required by warrant annexed to sd rate list a bill of assessments to pay and cleare the sum as above sd by the tenth Day of february next insuing the Date above written

[133] It January the 30<sup>th</sup> 1698 the assessers being chosen by the town to make the present tax amounting to 12-18-06 namly m<sup>r</sup> george norton m<sup>r</sup> thomas west m<sup>r</sup> Robberd Leach appeared before me and ware sworn to the true Discharg of thare Duty tharein

as atest John Ley Clark

[135] It At a meting of the sealect men upon the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 1698 there was then a cuntry rate made sd sealect men being chosen assesers by the town to assess the ratable heads and Estats of the Inhabitance thereto belonging as the Law Directs the sd tax ammounting to twelve pounds eighteen shillings and six pence and committed to Isack whicher constable to collect and pay the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings mony as he shall receive order by warrant from the treasurer and reciver generall of this his majestes provence of the masetchusets bay in new ingland and the remainder







of sd tax or rate being eight shillings and six pence the sd constable is to be accountable to the sealect men for the use of the town

[137] It Know all men by these presents that I doo totally acquitt and Discharge John bishop of manchester as cunstable of sd town from all Debts Dews and Demands on account of my sallery for the first year in the ministry in sd town viz the year 1696

manchester

John Emerson

March 20 1698-9

[78] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1698 Lieft John Siblee was chosen moderator for this presant meting At the same town meting sar robberd Leach m<sup>r</sup> George norton m<sup>r</sup> thomas west are chosen sealect men for the year Insuing At the same meting Isack whitcher was chosen cunstable for the year Insuing At the same meting Jams smith and John knolton are cosen sevaiers of high wayes At the same meting aron bennet and onisipros allin tithing men for the year Insuing At the same meting phillip nicoals and John bishop are chosen seavaiers of fences and field Drivers for the year insuing

[135] It Boston April 18<sup>th</sup> 1698 Reseived of m<sup>r</sup> Abraham mastus fileen in part of the warrant amounting to thirty nine pounds Reed for

m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

Jer Allen

[79] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1698 thomas west was chosen moderator for this present meting At the same town meting phillip nicoals was chosen to sarve on the grand Jury at the next cort at Salam and tell another is chosen and sworn At the same town meting Samuell Ley was chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals the nex county cort at Salam to be holden the last Inferior cort on the last tusday of June Instant

[141] We whose nams are underwritten being chosen and Im-powered by the town of manchester as a committee to renew or make bounds to such parsels of Swamp ground or meddow as hath been formerly granted by said town have met togather this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1691 and have Laid out and bounded the meddow or swampy ground called the beaver Dam marsh unto Robberd Leach and John Ley as followeth to witt the first bounds is a white pine marked with 4 mark and a cros with the marking Iron being the south west cor-

ner bounds of said meddow and from sd pine estward to another white pine marked as afore sd and standing near the beaver Dam place It being the sothest corner bounds of sd meddow and from sd pine northerly to another white pine marked as and being the northeast corner bounds of sd meddow or swomp and from sd pine westerly to a whit oake marked with 4 marks and a cros with a marking Iron and so from sd oak to the first bounds Above mentioned all the meddow and swampy ground within these bounds above mentioned to belong to Robbert Leach the one half of it and to John Ley the other half of It

And the bounds are renewd  
by us the subscribers this

John Siblee

Robberd Leach

Thomas West

9<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1698

Samuell allin sen<sup>ier</sup>

[133] It At a meting of the selectmen of manchester on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1698 and thare was then a rate made by the sealect for mr John Emerson his salerry for his first-half year begun the first day of february 169<sup>7</sup> and then committed to Isaack Whiteyere constable to collect and gather and pay acording to warrant inserted on the s<sup>d</sup> List rate & bill of assessments the whole rate to be payed and cleared by the last Day of July next insuing the Date above sd twenty two pounds ten shillings money of sd rate to be payd by the sd constable to said Emerson and the remainder of sd rate being fifteen shillings and ten pence mony the sd constable to pay to the sealect men for the use of the town

[135] It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 1698 thare was a cuntry Rate made and comited to constable Isack Whitchar to collect and gather and pay to his majesties Receiver Generall for this his majesties province of the masachusetts baye the sd Rate amounting to 0 : 7 = 13 = 08 whare of sd constable is to pay 07<sup>s</sup> = 10<sup>s</sup> = 00<sup>d</sup> mony for majesties sarvis as aforesd and the remainder being 3<sup>s</sup> = 8<sup>d</sup> mony the sd constable is to pay to the sealect men for the use of the town

[137] Boston October 6<sup>th</sup> 1698 Received of m<sup>r</sup> John bishop constable of manchester Eight pounds eighteen shillings in full I say received for m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler treasurer Jer allens

[133] Att a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 3<sup>d</sup> of november 98 a county Rate made amounting to the sum of one 1 = 03 = 02 and committed to constable abram mastus to collect and gather and out of it to paye in to the county treasurer





the sum of fifteen shillings and the over plush being eigh shillings and two pence to return to the select men for the use of the town

[79] At A town meeting leaguely warned and met together upon the 4<sup>th</sup> day of november 1698 It is voted & fully agreed that Mr George norton shall have a small parsill of Land lying before the meting hous to wit, that parsil of land whare on his hous frame now standeth which was formerly granted to the aforesd mr George norton in the year 1695 upon conditions which land is bounded as foloweth, southerly with the river 5 pils wide esterly with the towns land 6 pole upward & northerly 2 pils wide with the towns land aforsd & westerly with y<sup>e</sup> landing place down to the river aforesd the aforesd mr George norton to have & to hold the above bounded parsil of land with all the privileges & apurtenances thereto belonging to him & his heirs forever At a town meting november the 4<sup>th</sup> richard walker is chosen to sarve on the gran Jury John cro & Daniel williams on the jury of tryals at the next superior cort to be holden at Salam on the 2<sup>d</sup> Tuesday of november instant

*Geo. Norton*

*1695*

*Nov. 4.*

*1698*

[135] It Boston Desember the 2<sup>d</sup> 1698 Reseived of m<sup>r</sup> Abraham mastus constable of manchester eight pounds four shillings and nine pence in full Recd for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

[138] Boston Desember 2<sup>d</sup> 1698 Received of m<sup>r</sup> Isaack Whittayer constable of manchester seaven pounds ten shillings in full of the within mentioned warrant recd for m<sup>r</sup> James tayler Treasurer

#### Jer Allens

[134] At a meting of the select Reckned with Samuell Ley this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1698 for the rent of the parsonage Land for the year 97 and the yeare 98 and the afore sd Lee hath ballanced and cleared all accounts with us the select men namely M<sup>r</sup> Georg norton m<sup>r</sup> thomas West m<sup>r</sup> Robberd Leach Sealectmen

It which mony reseived of the abovsd Lee is Disposed of as followeth to the building a pound 00-12-06  
and to the Clark for writing two years 00-12-00  
and our expence for the whole yeare 00-02-08

It at a meting of the sealect of manchester January 20<sup>th</sup> then reckned with samuell allin sen<sup>r</sup> for the year 97 and the year 98 for the parsonage land and thare remains Dew to the town to ballance the sum of 00-02-06 It the mony received of the above sd allen is Disposed of as followeth to the building of a pound 00-12-06 and to the ringin of the bell 00-12-00

*Book 44. 286 Sam. Lee sells Carnit. of the Town  
land formerly Norton (see above)*

It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester July the 15<sup>th</sup> 1698 then Let to thomas botis the west end of the parsonage hous for ten shillings pr year It received of thomas bottis one paire of Doare hinges for the meting hous out of his rent 00-05-06 It Received of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Whitter of manchester for the year 1698 the sum of thirty shillings money which with former receipts makes up the Just sum of forty five pounds money that said whitteyre has paid to me in behalf of said town for my sallery that year above expressed I say Received by me

Salam Nov : 1 :

John Emerson

1699

[136] It At a meting of the sealect men on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of Aprill 1699 there was then a rate made for m<sup>r</sup> Jo<sup>n</sup> Emersons sallery amounting to the sum of 24 pounds nine pence mony and committed to John Knowlton Cunstable to collect and gather sd cunstable being ordered to pay the Just sum of 22 pounds ten shillings to sd Emerson to gather whith what sd Emerson hath Received in contribution or shall yet receive which sd rate is to be collected and payed to sd Emerson the abovesd sum of 22 pounds ten shillings and the overplus being one pound ten shillings and nine pence to be payed to the sealect men for the use of the town this whole rate to be payed by the last of July Insuing abov written It at a meting of the assesers for the town of manchester on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of aprill 1699 John Siblee Sen<sup>r</sup> nicholas walker and thomas west in persuance of a warant received by them from Jeams taylor Gent treasurer and receiver Generall for this his majesties province of the mastchesets bay in new England sd warant being Date the 24<sup>th</sup> of July 1699 whare in is expresed and also required by the sd Jams taylor Gent treasurer the Just sum of seaven pounds ten shillings money to be assesed upon the ratable poals and estats of our town of manchester we the above named assesers have on the abov sd 28<sup>th</sup> Day set and proportioned upon our town the sum of seaven pound ten shillings viz what each and every person his proportion is to the sd sum or list rate or bill of assesment required of us by sd warant to be made acording to the best of our descresion and have transmitted the sd list rate or bill of assesments to John knowlton cunstable of manchester to collect and pay to the sd Jams taylor treasurer the sum of seaven pounds ten shillings as he sd cunstable shall receive order by warant from the sd treasurer It at a meting of the select men of manchester on the twenty seaventh day of feb-







ruary 1699-700 namly John Siblee sen<sup>r</sup> Richard walker and thomas west there was a rate made and committed to John knowlton cunstable to collect and gather the sd Rate amounting to the sum of fifty one pounds thirteen shillings mony and payment to be made by the sd cunstable the one (137) half of sd rate by the tenth Day of may next Insuing the Date hearof the other half of sd rate to be payd by the Last day of June next following the Date abovesd the whole rate as abovesd to be payd to the commtee of manchester namely John Siblee sen<sup>r</sup> Robberd Leach Richard walker thomas west and Abram mastus thay or the majer part of them sd mony being to Defray the charge of building a hous for the minstry for and in the behalf of the town

(82) It at a town meting leaguallly warned and met together in manchester upon the 23<sup>d</sup> of Aprill 1699 thomas west moderater It is voted and fully agreed to sell the parsonage hous and 3 quarters of an acur of land ajoyning to it to John tarrin shoe maker for the sum of twenty pounds curant mony of new ingland sd mony to be Improved for the use of the ministry the aforesd 20 pounds to be payed to the town for the use aforesd at or before the first day of november next Insuing the Date hereof It at the same meting the new selectmen are hereby Impowered to allinate the abovsd hous and land according to Law to the abovsd John tarrin and seacure the mony for the use aforesd namely to be Improved towards a ministry hous

[138] Boston May 2<sup>d</sup> 1699 Received of m<sup>r</sup> Isack Whitleyere cunstable of manchester nine pounds in part of a warrant for twelve pounds ten shillings and by John Ley three pounds ten shillings which is in full for twelve pounds ten shillings received for me

Jams taylor

treasurer

Jer Allens

[80] At a town meting Leguallly warned and mett to gather may the 22 1699 m<sup>r</sup> thomas west is chosen moderater for this present meting It at the same meting it is voted to send no representative to the grate and generale cort or assembly apointed to be convened held and kept for his majesties servis at the town hous in Boston upon wensday the 13<sup>th</sup> of may Instant

At a town meting June the 25<sup>th</sup> It is at this sd meting to give 40 pounds sallery to a minister for the time to come

[83] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together in

manchester upon the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1699 Lieft John Siblee is chosen moderater for this present meting It the same town meting it is voted and fully agreed to build a parsonage hous sutable for the ministry sd hous to be built 42 foot long 18 foot wide and 14 foot stude sd hous to be built and compleated at the towns cost and charge as soon as may be with conveniency and sd hous to be set in sum convenient place nere the meting house at the Discretion of the commitee under named

At a leaguall meeting of the proprietors of our town of manchester common land being met together upon the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June Lieft John Siblee moderater it is Voted & fully agreed to sell a small parsell of our towns common Land lying betwen Wenham & Ipswich line which is bounded as foloweth viz. a white oak marked with W & M being the south west corner bounds & from thence northerly on a strait line to Dodges stump & from the stump aforsd easterly too a white pine tree marked with 4 marks being a bounds between Ipswich & Manchester & from sd pine westerly to the white oake aforsd & all the mony arising thareby to be improved towards the building a parsonage hous & at this sd meting it is voted & fully agreed that mr Thos West Lieft John Siblee Robberd Leach, Richard Walker & abram mastus are chosen a commite to Dispos of the abov sd Land thay or the major part of them & give a convayance acording to Law & seacure the mony for the use aforsd the afore sd commite or the major part of them are fully impowered to agree with any parson or parsons to erect & build a sufficient parsonage hous as soon as may be with conveniency and a town rate shall be made & colected for the Defraying & compleating of all the charges about the building & finishing of the abovsd parsonage hous viz the sd rate to amount to so much as will pay all the charges about the sd hous more than what will be payed by selling of the abovsd Land & the old parsonage hous sd rate to be made by the selectmen

[80] At a town meting Leaguall warned and met to gather this 23<sup>d</sup> Day of october 1699 at the same town meting Lieft John Siblee is chosen moderater for this present meting It at the same meting Jams pitman is chosen to sarve on the gran jury and Lieft John Siblee and sar Robberd on th Jury of tryals at the next superier cort to be holden at salem

[139] boston november 20<sup>th</sup> 1699 Received of m<sup>r</sup> John Knowlton constable of manchester seven pounds ten shilings in full of a war-

*Common  
land  
ap. Hume.*





rant the like sum of seaven pounds ten shilling reed for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer  
Jer Allen

[80] It at a town meting Legually warned and met to gether upon Desember the 18<sup>th</sup> 1699 m<sup>r</sup> thomas west is chosen moderater for this present meting At the same meting Samuell Allen jun<sup>r</sup> is chosen to sarve on the jury of tryals at the nex cort of pleas at Salam at the same meting m<sup>r</sup> Rechard Walker is chosen to sarve on the gran Jury at the next cort of pleas at salam and so for the year insuing It is voted and fully agreed that the commitee formerly chosen to looke out for a minister thay are fully Impowered to agree with m<sup>r</sup> goodhew for a quarter or more and not to exsede 45 pounds a yeare sallery per year

[81] At a meting of the commoners in manchester upon the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Desember 1699 M<sup>r</sup> Thomas West is chosen moderater for this present meting At this sd meting it is voted & fully agreed to devid all that part of our common land lying northwesterly of these bounds which are as foloweth viz from a walnut stump being a corner bounds of M<sup>r</sup> Wests last Devision & from thence on a strait line notherly to the west end of a spruce swamp & so norward to Ipswich line to each man his proportion & sd bounds to be Devided by the commite hereafter named who are hearby fully impowered to doe the same: which are as foloweth namely m<sup>r</sup> Thomas West Lieft John Siblee sar Robbert Leach m<sup>r</sup> George Norton Isaac Whichar John bishop John knowlton John Ley and Abram Mastus.

[146] We whos nams are underwritten being chosen a committee to Devide the west end of our common Land in Manchester as appears in our 3<sup>d</sup> book of records in manchester, have met together on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Dec in the year of our Lord 1699 & have laid out the abovsd Land & bounded it as followeth to each man his proportion being about 10 acers to each lot viz: the 1<sup>st</sup> Lot to Mr. George norton which is bounded to him as followeth, the 1<sup>st</sup> bounds at the est end a horn beam tree at the sou west corner marked with 4 marks nere a great rock & from thence westerly to a hemlock marked with 4 marks & from thence norwesterly by Capt. wests Land unto a white oke marked with 4 marks & from thence esterly to the horn beam tree first above mentioned which is a corner bounds of Joseph Woodberys Land he had of Capt. West. The 2<sup>d</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> Lots is Joseph woodberys 2 lots being bounded as followeth viz: at the southeast corner with a walnut stump which is

a bonds of sd wodberys land he had of Capt tho. west & from that norwesterly by his & George nortons Land about 35 pols to a white oke & at the southwest corner with a white oke betwixt sd woodbery & Georg norton & from sd white oke northwards upon Capt thomas Wests line of his farm 52 pols to a white oke marked with 4 marks being his northeast corner bounds & est to a white oke & from thence southwesterly to the walnut stump first abovmentioned the 4<sup>th</sup> Lot is Isack whitiers lot being bounded as folloeth viz: at the southeast corner with a white oke between him & Joseph woodbery & from that 14 pols or thereabouts to a black oke being the northeast corner bounds from that westerly 113 pols to a black oke being the norwest corner bounds from that southerly about 15 pols to a white oke being the south west corner bounds between him & Joseph woodbery from that esterly 114 pols to the first mentioned white oke

The 5<sup>th</sup> Lot is John cross being bounded as folloeth viz: at the southeast corner with a black oke between him and Isack whitier from that northerly 14 pole to a pitch pine being the northeast corner bounds of his lot from that westerly 112 pole to a black oke being the norwest corner bounds, from that southwards about 15 pols to a black oke being the south west corner bounds between him & Isack whitier from that esterly 113 pole to the first mentioned black oke [147] viz The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Lots is Aron bennets senier 2 Lots being bounded as followeth viz: at the Southeast corner with a pitch tree between him and John cro and from that northwards about 30 pole to a black oke being the northeast bounds and from that westerly 110 poles to a white oke being the norwest corner bounds, from that southerly 30 poles to a black oke being the southwest corner bounds between him and John Cro and from that esterly 112 poles to the first mentioned pitch pine tree. viz The 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Lots are John Leyes being bounded as followeth viz: at the southeast corner with a black oke between him and Aron bennet and from northerly about 30 poles to a white oke being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly aboute 108 poles to a popler being his norwest corner bounds from that southerly about 30 poles to a white oke being the southwest corner bounds between him and aron bennet from that esterly 110 poles to the first mentioned black oke viz The 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Lots are Samuella Allin senier his lots being bounded as followeth viz: at the southeast corner with a white oke between him and John Leys from that northwards about 30 poles to a pitch pine tree





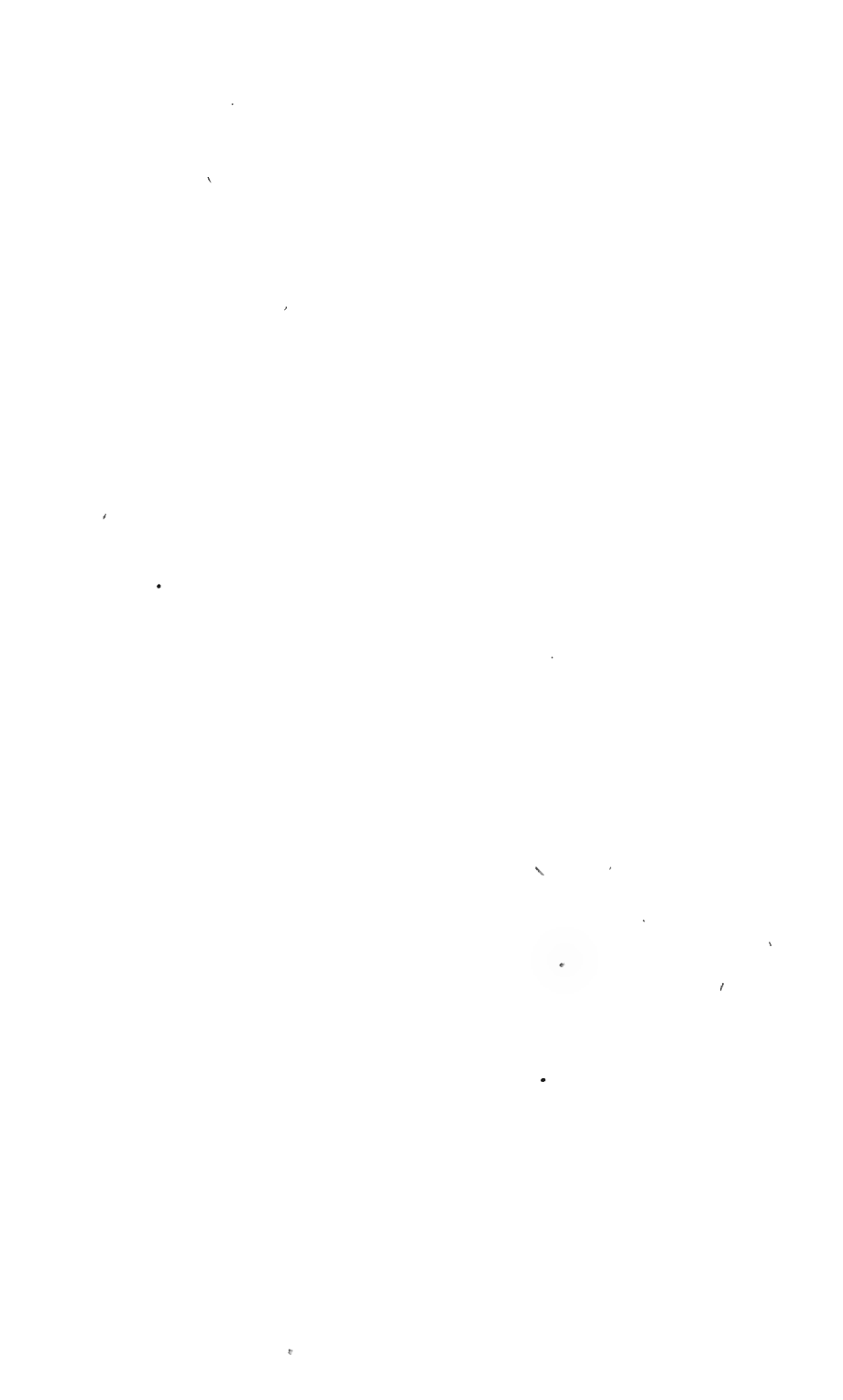


being his northeast corner bounds, from that westerly about 106 poles to a white pine being his northwest corner from that southerly about 30 poles to a popler tree being southwest corner bounds between him and John Ley viz The 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Lots are onisiphros Allins being bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast with a pitch pine from that northward about 30 poles to a white oke being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 108 to a red oke being his northwest corner bounds from that southerly 30 poles to a white pine being the southwest corner between Samuells Allin and him and from easterly about 106 poles to the 1st mentioned pitch pine viz The 14<sup>th</sup> Lot is widow hannah Leaches being bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner bounds is a white oke between her and onisiphros allin from that northwards about 15 poles to a pitch pine being the northeast corner bounds of her lot from that westward about 109 poles to a stake and heap of stons being her northwest corner bounds then southerly about 15 poles to a red oke being her southwest corner bounds between her & onisiphros Allin. [148] viz The 15<sup>th</sup> Lot is Capt. John Siblees being bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner with a pitch pine from that northerly about 15 poles to a red oke being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 109 poles to a pitch pine being his northwest bounds from that southerly about 19 poles to a stake and a heap of stons being his southwest corner bounds against hannah Leach from that 109 poles easterly to the first mentioned bounds.

viz The 16<sup>th</sup> Lot Insign Robbert Leach being bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner with a Red oke between him and Capt. Siblee from that northerly 15 poles and foot to a white oke being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 108 poles to a small popler being his northwest corner bounds from that southerly 15 poles and foot to a pitch pine being his southwest corner between him and Capt. Siblee viz The 17<sup>th</sup> Lot is John Knowltons being bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner with a white oke between him and Robbert Leach from that northerly 15 poles and 4 feet to a red oke being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 108 poles to a bunch of maples being his northwest corner bounds from that southerly 15 poles and 4 foot to a small popler being his southwest corner bounds between him and Robbert Leach. viz The 18<sup>th</sup> Lot is Samuells Leaches which is bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner with a red oke between him and John Knowlton from that northeasterly 15 poles and 5 foot to a Red oke

being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 107 poles to a white oke being the northwest corner bounds, from that southerly 15 poles and 5 foote to a bunch of maples being his southwest corner bounds between him and John Knowlton from that to his first mentioned bounds viz. The 19<sup>th</sup> Lot is Insign Robberd Leaches being as folloeth viz: the southeast corner with a Red oke between him and Samuell Leach from that northwards 15 poles and 6 foote to a white pine being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 107 poles to a Red oke being his northwest corner bounds from that southerly 15 poles and 6 foote to a white oke being the southwest corner bounds between him & Samuell Leach from the estward to the first mentioned bounds viz. [149] The 20<sup>th</sup> lot is Capt. Thomas Wests viz: at the southeast corner with a white pine between him and Robbert Leach from that northward 15 poles and 7 foote to a maple being his northeast corner bounds and from that westerly 106 poles to a white burtch being his northwest corner bounds and from that southwards 15 poles and 7 foote to a Red oke being his south west corner bounds between him and Robbert Leach viz The 21<sup>st</sup> Lot is one quarter Samuell Leys and 3 quarters Abram mastuses Samuell Leys corner bounds is a maple from that northwards about 4 poles to a white pine being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 106 poles to a stake and a heap of stones being his norwest corner bounds and from that southerly about 4 poles to a white burtch being his souwest corner bounds from that esterly to the first mentioned bounds. The southeast corner bounds of Abram mastuses 3 quarters of the Lot is a white pine from northerly about 12 poles to a hemlock being his northeast corner bounds from that westerly 106 poles to a black burtch being his northwest corner bounds and from that southerly about 12 poles to a stake and a heape of stones being his southwest corner bounds from that esterly to the first mentioned bounds viz. The 22<sup>nd</sup> Lot belongeth to the parsonage and is bounded as followeth viz: at the southeast corner with a hemlock between it and Abram mastuses from that northwards 15 poles and 9 foote to a white pine being his northeast corner bounds and from that westerly 98 poles to a small maple neere Ipswich line and from thence upon Ipswich line to a maple being the northeast bounds of Capt thomas Wests north lots and from that southerly 8 poles to a hemlock being the southwest corner bounds and from it esterly to the first mentioned bounds viz. The 23<sup>d</sup> Lot is Widdow hannah Leaches and Jones





or Ezekiell the other half and is bounded as followeth viz : at the southeast corner with a white pine between it and the parsonage lot and from that northwesterly 20 poles to a hemlock it being the northeast corner bounds and from that westerly 72 poles to a hemlock in Ipswich line and from that upon Ipswich line 30 poles to a small maple and from it esterly 98 poles to the first mentioned white pine viz. The 24<sup>th</sup> Lote is Samuells polins being bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a hemlock and from that 50 poles northwards to a walnut tree nere Ipswich line from that westerly upon Ipswich line 77 poles to a greate hemlock from that esterly 72 poles to the first bounds.

viz The 25<sup>th</sup> Lot is Capt. Thomas Wests being bounded as followeth viz : at the northeast corner with a maple in Ipswich line and from that westerly upon sd line 16 poles to a white pine from that southerly 129 poles to a white oke from that esterly to a black oke and that northwards 138 poles to the first bounds [150] viz. The 26<sup>th</sup> Lot is John coyces being bounded as followeth viz : at the northeast corner with a white pine tree nere Ipswich line from that westerly upon sd line 17 pole to a hemlock from that southerly 116 poles to a walnut tree from that esterly 13 poles to a white oke from that northerly 129 pole to the first bounds viz. The 27<sup>th</sup> Lot is John Knowltons and widdow hannah Leaches bounded as followeth viz : northeast with a hemlock from that upon Ipswich line westerly 18 poles to a hemlock from that southerly 105 poles to a white pine tree from that esterly 14 poles to a walnut tree from that northerly 116 poles to the first bounds viz The 28<sup>th</sup> Lot is Capt John Siblees being bounded as follos. viz : at the northeast with a hemlock nere Ipswich line from that westerly upon sd line 19 poles to a red burtch from that southerly 93 poles to a stake and a heape of stons from that esterly 15 poles and 2 foote to a white pine from that notherly 105 poles to the first bounds viz. The 29<sup>th</sup> Lot is John Bishops being bounded as folloeth viz : at the northeast corner with a Red burtch from that westerly upon Ipswich line 21 poles to a white pine from that southerly 78 poles to a maple tree from that esterly 17 poles to a stake and heape of stones from that northerly 93 poles to the first bounds viz. The 30<sup>th</sup> Lot is Abram mastuses being bounded as followeth viz : at the northeast corner with a white pine upon Ipswich line from that westerly 18 poles to a white oke upon sd Ipswich line from that southerly 66 poles to a hemlock being the southwest bounds between sd mastus and Capt. Wests from that esterly 30 poles to a maple tree being the southeast corner bounds against

Capt thomas Wests land from that northerly 38 poles to the first bounds which is a white pine viz. The 31<sup>st</sup> Lot is Capt. Thomas Wests being bounded as followeth viz at the northeast corner with a maple tree between him and Abram mastus from that westerly 30 poles to a hemlock between him and Abraham mastus from that south-westerly 39 poles to Morgins stump from that southeasterly 44 poles upon sd Wests farm line to a black oke from that 66 poles northwards to the first bounds. [151] viz The 32<sup>d</sup> Lot is Insign Robbert Leaches being bounded as followeth viz : at the northeast corner with a hemlock from that 25 poles westward to a maple tree between him and Capt Wests from that southerly 66 poles to a black oke between him and Capt West from that 30 poles upon the farm line to a small maple tree from that northerly 86 poles to the first bounds viz. The 33<sup>d</sup> Lot is widdow hannah Leaches which lot now belongs to her son Samuel Leach bounded as folloeth viz : at the northeast corner with a white oke from that westerly 17 poles to a hemlock between her and robbert Leach from that southerly 86 poles to a small maple tree upon the farm line from that southeasterly 22 poles to a white oke from that northwards 100 poles to the first bounds. viz The 34<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> Lots and John normons being bounded as followeth viz : the northeast corner with a small white oke between him and Jams friend sd normons lots to Join to the south-east end of capt thomas wests lot and John coyces lots and knowltons and hannah leaches half lots in the north Devision and so to a white oke being hannah Leaches northern bounds of her south lot and from sd white oke southerly 100 poles to a white oke being the south west bounds between sd normons and hannah Leach and from sd white oke south esterly about 38 poles upon the line of Capt. thomas Wests farm to a small white pine marked with 4 marks and from that northerly 125 poles to the first mentioned bounds viz. The 36<sup>th</sup> Lot is James frinds being bounded as follows viz : at the north west corner with a white oke between and John normon from that southerly 125 poles to a small white pine between and John normon from that southeasterly 15 poles to a white oke being Joseph woodberys and Isack whitiers bounds from that notherly 134 poles to a stake and a heap of stons from that westerly 12 poles to the first mentioned white oke viz. The 37<sup>th</sup> lot is Samuell Allin sen lying to the westward of the above named lots lying between the W tree and morgins swamp and samuel cornings three quarters of a lot and Daniel Williams quarter of a lot being the 38<sup>th</sup> lot and lyeth westwards of the foresd lot between it and the land thomas







whittiers and John coye had of the town of manchester for the parsonage hous

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|-----------|---|-------------------|--------------------|
| Committee | { | Capt. Thos. West  | Ins. Robbert Leach |
|           |   | Capt. John Siblee | John Ley           |
|           |   | Isaack Whitier    |                    |
|           |   | Abraham Mastus    |                    |
|           |   | John Knowlton     |                    |

[81] It At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather in manchester this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1699-1700 M<sup>r</sup> thomas west is chosen moderater for this present meting It at the same meting Sar. Robberd Leach John knowlton and Samuella Ley are chosen sealect men for the year insuing It at the same meting M<sup>r</sup> Joseph woodbury is chosen constable for the year Insuing It at the same meting John Ley is chosen town clark It at the same meting onysiphros allin and aron bennet are chosen tithing men for the year insuing It at the same meting Abram mastus and John pearce are chosen seavairs of high wayes for the year insuing It at the same meting Samuella allin senier and phillip nicoals are chosen fence vewers for the yeare insuing and field drivers It at the same meting Jams pitman is chosen culler of fish It at the same meting John bishop is chosen clarke of the markit and packer for the yeare insuing

[138] It at a meting of the select men of manchester upon the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1700 there was a rate made for m<sup>r</sup> websters Sallery for one quarter of a year begining the first of January 1700 1701 amounting to the sum of thirteen pounds five shillings and one penny and is Commeted to constable Joseph Woodbery to collect and make payment of the abovsd sum into the sealect men at or before the twentieth Day of march next Insuing the Date hereof

[140] It boston march 24<sup>th</sup> 1700 Received of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph woodbery of manchester by the hands of m<sup>r</sup> Grove hust fifteen pounds in full of a warrant for the like sum of fifteen pounds received for m<sup>r</sup> Jams Taylor tresurer

Jer Allins

At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon Aprill the 13<sup>th</sup> 1700 m<sup>r</sup> robberd Leach John knowlton and samuel Lee being  
£   s.   d.  
 chosen assesers to make this present tax of 01-10-00 appeared before me and are sworn as the law Directs

Atest John Ley town Clark

It At a meting of the assesers in manchester upon the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1700 thare was a rate made for the cuntry made amounting to the sum of seaven pounds ten shillings mony and is Committ-ed to Cunstable Joseph woodbery to collect and gather and make payment to m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer according his warant  
april the 29<sup>th</sup> 1700

[139] It we whos nams are under written have perambelated the line between Ipswich and manchester this 29 Day of Aprill 1700—beginning at the stump called Dodges stump and so Esterly in the ranging line to a pine tree mark<sup>t</sup> W<sup>and</sup>M and so on the line to a white oak nere the seader swamp marked with the of the year and from thence in the line marking the ranging bounds to a tree called the crank tree and from that to a heap of stons being a bounds between Ipswich Glosester and manchester

for manchester  
Robberd Leach  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton  
aron bennet

for Ipswich  
Danniell Rindg  
Jonathan wade  
Joseph whipple  
George hart  
Isack rindg

[82] May the 12 1700 Lieft John Knits was chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals at the next Inferior cort at Salem

[84] At a meeting of the proprietors of the town of manchester comon land leaguallly warned and met together on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1700 Thomas West is chosen moderater for this meting At sd meting it is voted that James pitman Shall have Land within his fence by his hous if he pays the sum of two pounds mony at or before the 1<sup>st</sup> of June next insuing the date hereof At this meting it is voted and fully agreed to sell sum small parsels of our comon Land lying not convenient to be improved in generall namely a parsel of common Land lying on the great neck and sum small parsels to the quantity of 10 or 20 Acres in the south west corner of our common which is yet undevided the abovsd Land to be sould to our own town inhabitants and no others provided any persons doth appear to bye the same at or before the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of August next insuing the date hereof and the committee is chosen and fully impowered to make sale of the abovsd parsels of land who are as followeth namly Lieft John Siblee Capt. Thomas West Robbert Leach John Ley Joseph woodbery John knowlton and abram Mastus Voted also at this sd meting that the abovsd com-  
mittee are at this sd meting chosen and impowered to make and

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renew all bounds buting and bounding by the common Land in the township of our town of manchester and any perticular proprietors in our sd town adjoynining or bounding upon sd commons, that is to say thay the abovsd committee or any two of them shall have full power from time to time till the proprietors of the sd commons see cause to make a new choice for that work abovsd

[139] It manchester June 1700 then Received of m<sup>r</sup> John knolton cunstable of sd town y<sup>e</sup> Just sum of twenty two pounds ten shillings mony in full for my sallery for the seaventh half year in y<sup>e</sup> ministry at manchester

I say Received by me John Emerson

[85] It At a town meting Leaguely warned and met to gather upon the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1700 It is voted and agreed to treat with m<sup>r</sup> nicolas Webster to com and preach the gospill to us and to Indeavour to git him to be our settled minester as soon as may be with conveniance and to give him 45 pounds a year sallery in mony and the commettee here after named are hereby fully Impowered to agree with the abovsd m<sup>r</sup> webster to com and settell with us them or the major part of them namly Capt thomas West Lieft John Siblee Robberd Leach samuell allin sen<sup>r</sup> and Jams pitman

Boston September the 6<sup>th</sup> 1700 Reseived of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph wodbery constable of manchester by the hands of mr Grow seaven pounds ten shillings in full of a warrant for the like sum of seaven pounds ten shillings received for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

Jer Allins

December the 9<sup>th</sup> 1701 John pearce is chosen to sarve on the gran Jury for the year insuing and abram mastus at the nex inferior cort a Salem the last December next instant

[84] At a meeting of the propriaters of the commons in manchester upon the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1700 It is voted and agreed to sell hous Island to him or them that will give most for the same and the committee above written namely Lieft John Siblee capt thomas west robberd Leach John Ley John knowlton Joseph woodbery and abram mastus them or the major part of them are hereby Impowered to make sale of the abovsd Island and the mony arising thareby to be Improved in provision for and settlement of ministry with us.

*House Do.  
to be sold.*

[195] An account taken by us the subscribers being owners of the 400 acors in Manchester of the severall parsels of land lying in the 400 Acors laid out to Samuel Friend late of Manchester Deseased

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the sd march and is bounded as followeth norwesterly by the river and northerly by a small cove northesterly by Normans march and Robberd Leaches upland

As also about two acors known by the name of samuell friends vinniard and is bounded as followeth northerly and westerly with the saw mill brook and on the south to friends west gate and from thence northerly on a strait line to the brooke against where the old saw mill stood

John Siblee                      onisiphros allin

Robberd Leach              John bishop

John Knowlton              Abram masters

Samuell allin sen<sup>er</sup>

[138] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1700 : 1701 Thare was a rate made and committed to Joseph wodbery constable to collect and gather amounting to the sum of fower pounds and five shillings 8 pence which mony is to pay the Indians for our town ship [139] and make payment of the aforesd sum in unto the sealect men at or before the fifteenth day of march next Insuing the Date hereof

[152] At a meting of the proprietors of the common Lands in the town of manchester being Leaguallly warned and met to gather on the twenty Eight Day of January 170½ Lieft John Siblee was chosen moderater for this sd meting And it was then voted and agreed by the sd proprietors that sum part of the sd common Lands shall be devided so soon as it can be Doone the first oppertunity presenting that the season of the year will permit that is to say into five parts to wit three parts on the esterly end of sd commons next kettle cove and so betwen gloster bounds and the bounds of the farm formerly called Friends farm and the other two parts westerly of the sd commons next the devisions that ware made the Last yeare or as neere as can be each proprietors singall commen Right to be about the quantity of ten acors and so for more or les quantity according to each persons Interest in sd commons And it is voted at the sd meeting for a commitie who are now chosen by this meting namely Lieft John Siblee thomas west Robbert Leach Georg norton John Ley John knolton John bishop and Isack whitier they or the mager part of them are fully Impowered Laye out and bound the sd five Devisions and to proportion the number of the commons to each Devision as thay will hold out in measure ten acors as afore sd to a single Right: And it is further by the same metting of the sd proprietors that if at any time after the abovsd five Devisions be

made by the abov sd committee that any propriaters or propriater tharein Intrested Doe Desire to have his perticuler Right or Rights set out to him Destink from the other the sd committee thay or the mager part are hereby fully Impowered to Lay out and confirm by bounds the sam to him or them that doe Desire the same provided all wayes that the propriater or propriaters Doe satisfie the sd committie for thare time in so doing and pay the Entry thareof in the propriaters of the common Lands book of Records in manchester

[139] It at a metting of the sealect men march the 22<sup>d</sup> 1700 : 1701 then Reckned with constable John Knolton for all rats comitted to him in the year 1699 and thare remains dew to the committie out of the rate for the building the parsonage hous the sum of two pounds six shillings and ten pence mony to ballance all accounts the abov sd mony to be the glasers for glasing the abov sd hous

[139] It at a meting of the sealect men march the 22<sup>d</sup> 1700 : 1701 reckned with John Ley town clark for the two years last past for writing and thare remains Dew to the sd ley from the town the sum of twelve shillings mony

[85] It at a town meting in manchester Leagualy warned and met to gather upon the 28<sup>th</sup> day of march 1701 John Siblee is chosen moderator for this meting Voted to chuse town officers for the year insuing by holding up the hand Lieft John Siblee robberd Leach and John Ley are chosen sealect men for the year insuing John Ley town clark John knowlton town treasurer Jams petman senior culler of fish onysiphros allin and Aron bennet Juinor seavaiers of high wayes John bishop clark of the markit Nathaniell masters and aron bennet senier tything men M<sup>r</sup> George norten constable for the year insuing It at the same meting it is voted that John knowlton shall have that place in the meting hous next to the west stairs where he has begun to erect a seate It is also voted that the committee formerly chosen to seate the meting hous shall still good and are hereby fully Impowered to regulate the seating sd meting hous from time to time as need requires

[140] It march the 28<sup>th</sup> 1701 then agreed with mark tricker to ring the bell and swep the meting hous and the town is to pay him one pound and fower shillings for the year Insuing

John Siblee  
robberd Leach  
John Ley  
sealect men





[85] It Aprell the 3<sup>d</sup> 1701 John Ley aron bennet senier onisiphros allen and John knowlton made oath before the selectmen to their respective offices It Ephram Jons and Isack whitier are chosen seavairs of fences and field Drivers for the year insuing and made oath before the select men June 16 1701

It at a town meting in manchester may the 16<sup>th</sup> 1701 it is voted to send no representative to the grate and generall cort to be holden at boston the 28<sup>th</sup> of may instant At the same meting it is voted to send a petisseon to the grate and generall cort at boston for asesment of our taxes and m<sup>r</sup> thomas west and Lieft John Siblee are chosen a commettee for ou sd town of manchester them or either of them or others whom they shall appoint to act in their stead

[86] At a town meting in manchester—13<sup>th</sup> 1701 a committee chosen to seate our meting hous forthwith namely John knowton Joseph woodbery John allen samuell Leach Samuel Lee John Lee Capt Siblee

[140] At a meting of the sealectmen of manchester upon the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of august 1701 there was a rate made for the contry amounting to the sum of 11—16—11 mony and is committed m<sup>r</sup> Georg : norton constable of manchester to collect and gather and make payment of the sum of 11—14 shillings to Jams tayler gentl. treasurer as sd constable shall receive warrant from sd treasurer and the

It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1701 thare is a town rate made for the payment of m<sup>r</sup> webstars sallery for one half year which begun the first of Aprill last past and other nesary town charges amounting to the sum of 23=19=11 mony and is committed to m<sup>r</sup> George norton constable of manchester to collect and gather with a warrant thare to annexed whare in he is required to pay out the seaverall sums and to cleare his accounts with the sealect men for the sum totall of this abovsd rate amounting to the sum of 23=19=11 mony at or before the last of september next insuing the Date abovsd

It Desember the 8<sup>th</sup> 1701 received of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph woodbery in full the sum of Eleven pounds and five shillings in mony on the account of a rate committed to him to gather for me nine pounds and eleven shillings of sd mony m desed on sd ratu I say received by me

nicolas webster

[183] It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of february 1701-2 thare was a rate made for the county amounting to the sum of 02-03-07 and it is committed to george norton constable of manchester to collect and gather and pay into the county treasurer the sum of 02-01-01 as he shall receive warrant from the abov sd treasurer and the over plus being 2 shillings and six pence is allowed to the abov sd constable for collecting the abovsd rate

At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of february in the yeare 1701-2 thare was a town rate made for m<sup>r</sup> webstars sallery for his second half year and other nesasary town charges which yere began the first of aprill Last past amounting to the sum of 24-19-09 mony and it is committed to m<sup>r</sup> George norton constable of manchester to collect and gather with a warrent thare to anexed whare in he is required to pay out the seaverall sums namely to m<sup>r</sup> nicolas webster 22 pounds and ten shillings and to mark tricker 2. twenty fower shillings and to the select men for the town 12 shillings and to cleare his accounts with the sealect for the sum totall of the abov sd rate amounting to the sum 24-19-09 mony at or before the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of march next insuing the Date hereof as abovsd At a meting of the sealect men of manchester on the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of february 1701-2 thare was a town rate made to Defray seaverall town Debts namely to lieft John Siblee 04-00-00 and to mony expended about sending our town petession to the generall cort at boston ninteen shillings and to John Ley town clark for three yers last past in writing for the town 01-02-00 sd rate amounting to the sum of 06-09-07 mony and is committed to m<sup>r</sup> George norton constable of manchester to collect and gather with a warrent thareto annexed whare in he is required to make payment of the sum of six pounds & one shelling at or before the twentieth Day of march next insuing the Date hereof and the overplus being 8 shillings 7 pence is allowed him for collecting sd rate and to pay it unto John Knowlton town treasurer and to clear his accounts with him at or before the 20<sup>th</sup> of march next as abovsd

[184] Reived April the forth 1702 of George norton the sum of one pound and four shillings in full for my sweping the metten hous and ringing the bell I say reseved by me

mark tricker







Aprill the twentieth seaven hundred and two  
received of m<sup>r</sup> george norton constable for manchester in the year  
last past the sum of forty and five pounds six shillings mony in  
full of sallerry for one whole year last past I say received by me

Nicolous Webster

[143] April 28 1702 we the subscribers being the sealectmen  
of manchester & glosester have met together & renewed the bounds  
betwen our sd towns from a white oak at the est end of grayes beach  
marked with W M & stons about it & from thence notherly on the  
line to a pine marked as abovsd & is called gardners tree and so  
on the line to the heape of rocks being the corner bounds betwen  
Ipswich Manchester and Glosester John Siblee Lieft John Ley for  
manchester Thomas riggs Insign Joseph Allen for Glosester we  
whos nams are underwritten being appointed by the sealectmen of  
wenham and manchester this 28<sup>th</sup> of April 1702 met together and  
renewed the bounds begining at a white oak nere gardners lot  
marked with W & M & from thence northerly renewed the bounds  
betwen our towns to a stump with a stake in it which standeth in  
Ipswich line which stump is called by the name of Dodges stump  
John Knowlton Benjamin Allen for manchester Thomas Edwards  
Benjamin Edwards for Wenham It whare as we the subscribers did  
formerly laye out to John crow a small parsell of upland ground  
about one Acor be it more or less lying in manchester we being  
a committie chosen to laye out the abovsd ground as appears in  
our 2<sup>d</sup> book of Records & their being as yet no entry of the bounds  
of the abov sd ground we the subscribers have met together this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of January 170<sup>3</sup> & have renewed the bounds which are as  
followeth at the norwest corner a heape of stons & from thence  
southwesterly to the rutes of a pine stump & stons upon it by the  
way side that goes to black cove and so southerly to a grate rock  
in the wall nere to the corner of sd crowes wall & from thence  
northeasterly to a white oak stump within nicoaleses fence & from  
sd stump norwesterly to a heape of stons first abov mentioned &  
we order this our return to be a standing record as witness our  
hands this fourth day of January one thousand seaven hundred and  
two 170<sup>3</sup>

capt thomas west  
John siblee  
robbert leach  
John Ley

[145] It Whareas there was formerly a track of land laid out to thomas Jons of manchester lying on the west side of the way that goes to chebaco & the sd land is now in the possession of Ezekiell knowlton purchaser & onisiphros allin hath a lot thareunto joyning the bounds of sd lands between the sd persons not formerly settled It is betwen the sd onysiphros Allin & Ezekiell knowlton the aforesd proprietors that upon consideration of onisiphros allin paying to the sd Ezekiell knowlton the sum of one pound in mony the sd allin shall have a front upon the way about 4 pols wide to his lote according to the bounds hereafter mentioned from the nothermost corner of John Knowltons barn upon the chebacco way aforesd notherly to a stake & norwesterly on a straight line to a stake standing by a rock & a heape of stons round sd stake westerly upon ony allins Land to John knowltons line & so to range esterly with John knowltons line tell it coms to the sd corner of his bounds & this to be a finall issue between us the abovsd parties of all controversies about the bounds of sd land & so agreed by us mutually to be entered in our town bok of records in manchester our standing bounds both for us & our heirs forever as witness our hands April 10<sup>th</sup> 1702

Witness nicolas webster

John Ley

John tarrin

Onisiphoros allin

william Allin

Ezekiell Knowlton

[183] Received of m<sup>r</sup> Georg norton constable of manchester the sum of two pounds one shilling and one penney in mony upon the account of the county rate Committed to him to collect for thare sd town by orders of the sealect men June the 16<sup>th</sup> 1702

John Appleton

County treasurer

[184] At a meting of the salectmen of manchester august the 26<sup>th</sup> 1702 thare was cuntry rate made and committed to phillip nicoals constable of manchester to collect and gather amounting to the sum of 12-12-10 and make payment to Jams taylor treasurer as he shall reseive warant from sd treasurer

It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester august the 26<sup>th</sup> 1702 thare is a town rate made for the payment of m<sup>r</sup> websters sallerry for half a year and other nesenary charges amounting to the sum of 24-17-04 mony and is committed to cunstable phillip nicoals to collect and gather with a warrant thare to annexed whare in he is required to make payment of 22-10-00 to mr. webster and





twelve shillings to mark tricker and the over plus which is 01-15-04 to the sealect men at or before the Last of september next Insuing the Date here of It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of september 1703 thare was a contry rate made and committed to cunstable aron bennet of manchester to collect and gather amounting to the sum of 23-17-06 and make payment to James taylor treasurer as he shall receive warant from sd treasurer

[185] Recd of m<sup>r</sup> phillip nicoas constable of manchester two pounds being full of a warant for Eleven pounds

recd for my master Jams taylor

Boston March 2<sup>d</sup> 170<sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Jer Allin's

[186] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester march the 28<sup>th</sup> 1703 Reckned with aron bennet as he was cunstable of manchester for one town rate to him committed to him baring Date sept the 3<sup>d</sup> 1703 And Rest dew to the town the sum of fower pounds to ballance the accout of the abovsd rate

[197] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather upon the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1703 Lieft John knits is chosen moderator for this present meting voted to chuse our town offisers for the yeare insuing by holding up of the hand which are as followeth It Aron bennet Junier cunstable for the yeare insuing It robbed leach John allin and John Ley sealectmen It John knowlton town treasurer for the year insuing and John Ley town clark for the year insuing It samuell lee and samuell allin Junier tithing men It John bishop clark of the markit for the year insuing and phillip nicols culler of fish for the year insuing It John pearce and william allin seavayers of high wayes It John crow and samuell Leach fence vewers and field drivers for the year insuing It voted to work two Days in a year to cut Down pine and hemlock brush that incumbers feding land that lyeth common and to work on the first tuesday in aprill next and the 2<sup>d</sup> tusday in october and th M<sup>r</sup> George norten and John bishop and John knowlton to take the care that every man Doth work his 2 Dayes upon the forfeiture of two shillings a Day for any parson that neglects to work this 2 Dayes to be payed to the overseers to be expended on thos that Doe work

[185] It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester september the 3<sup>d</sup> 1703 thare was a town rate made for the payment of m<sup>r</sup> nicoas webster his sallery for one half yeare and other nesasary charges a in our sd town of manchester amounting the sum of 27-03-03

mony and Is committed to constable Aron bennet to collect and gather with a warrant thare to annexed whare in he is required to make payment of 22-10-00 mony to mr nicolas webster and 12 shillings to mark tricker and to the sealect men five pounds one shilling and thre pence mony at or before the Last Day of september 1703 and to cleare his accounts with the sealect men at or before the twentieth Day of october next insuing for the sum total of the above sd rate

[185] It At a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of September 1703 thare was a county rate made amounting to the sum of one pound nineteen shillings with a warrant thei<sup>r</sup>to annexed wharein aron bennet cunstable of manchester to whom sd rate is committed is required to pay unto John appelton treasurer of our sd county one pound fourteen shillings and three pence mony at or before the Last Day of Desember next Insuing the Date hereof and the overplus to the sealect men on the Day abovsd for the use of the town of manchester

It At a meting of the sealectmen of manchester upon the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of november 1703 thare was a cuntry rate made amounting to the sum of 23 pounds 16 shilling and one penney and is commeted to aron bennet cunstable of manchester to collect and gather as he shall receive warant from Jams taylor Gent treasurer and pay the sum of 23 pounds to the abovsd treasurer

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[153] At a meting of the proprietors of common Lands in the township of manchester Leaguallly and assembled to gather on the first day of february 170<sup>3</sup> it was then voted by the propriators of the common Lands that the Devisions formerly voted on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of January 170<sup>2</sup> being made set out and bounded according to the sd vote: That the rest of the sd common Land shall be forthwith or as soon as the season of this year will permit be also Devided that is to say all such of the sd propriators as have more then one common or single share in the sd commons yet undevided shal have all such shar or shares set out and Devided and bounded to him or them that are so Intrested in the sd commons and the remainder of the said common Lands to remain in bulk to gather for the use and Improvement by Equall proportion of the sd propriaters of the same each one having a proportion equall alik in the sd common Land it being a singall share to each propriater And it is voted at this sd metting that a committee be chosen and Impowered and are now chosen at this sd meting to Devide set out and bound as is abov







expressed to each propriater his Dew proportion more than his or thare singall shars as abovsd Each propriater sattisfing the sd comitie for thar sarvis in so doing and pay the entry upon the propriaters book of records for the same the sd committee being as followeth namely Lieft John Siblee thomas west Robbert Leach John knowlton abram mastus John Ley Isack whitier Georg norten or the major part of them

[186] It At a meting of the select men of manchester upon the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of february 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  thare was a town rate made amounting to the sum of 24—07—09 mony and it is committed to cunstable aron bennet to collect and gather forthwith with a warrant thareto anexed whare in he is required to pay to m<sup>r</sup> nicholas webster the sum of 22—10—00 mony and to mark tricker 12 shillings for ringing the bell and to Discount Eight shillings of the abovsd rate with John Ley for his sarving town clark in the year 1703 and the overplus is allowed sd cunstable for collecting the abovsd rate and sd cunstable is to cleare his accounts with the sealect men for the sum totall of the abovesd rate at or before the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of march next insuing the Date hereof.

It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester march the 28<sup>th</sup> 1704 Recnd with phillip nicoals as he was cunstable of manchester for all rates committed to him In the yeare 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  and all accounts ballanced

[144] At a meting of the propriaters of the Common Land in manchester upon the first Day of february 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  then granted to the house Lot formerly Joneses one half of a common rite which hous lot is now in the posession of Ezekiell knowlton purchaser

April 6 1704 It we whos nams are underwritten being chosen a committe to renew bounds betwen the commons in manchester & perticular propriators have met together this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1704 & have renewed the bounds of Robbert Leaches land that lyeth esterly of the saw mill pond which is bounded as followeth with a white oake tree on the south side of bishops point & in the line of the 400 Acors & from thence norwest to a hemlock & from thence northest to a hemlock & from thence est to a hemlock and from thence est to a white oake stump nere clay brook & from thence southesterly to a beatch tree nere the way that goes to Kittle cove & from thence souwest to a white stump by the meddow sid & so west by the meddow to the white first abov mentioned It As also

*Robt. Leach*  
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the bounds of another parsell of Land which is bounded as followeth by a maple tree & from thence esterly to a white oake with stons about it & from thence southeast to another white oake standing by the swamp side & so to a pitch pine & so to another pitch pine on the bank of the beatch near the sea and from thence westerly by the sea to a heape of stons nere eagle hill whitch is the northest corner bounds of the 400 Acors & from thence northerly to a hemlock & so northeast bounded by the meddow to the maple tree abovesd John Siblee John knowlton committie It April the 6<sup>th</sup> 1704 we whos nams are underwritten have renewed the bounds of John Knowltons bay berry march which was formerly nicolas vinisons as followeth beginning at the est corner a hemlock & so west to another hemlock from thence to a red oake and so noth to another red oak & norwest to a white pine it being the norwest bounds & from thence est to a white burtch standing on the est side of the brook that runs into the spruce swamp & southeast at another white from burtch & so southerly to a white pine & so est to a red oake & red oak souwest to the hemlock abovesd. Capt John Siblee Ins Robbt Leach committie It Aprill the 6<sup>th</sup> 1704 We whos nams are underwritten being chosen a committie to renew bounds have renewed the bounds of Robbert Leach Samuell Leach & John Siblees Land in the brushe plain, begining at a pitch pine standing nere a swamp & so southerly to a white oak standing on the west side of a swamp & so west to a white oak & so west to a stake standing whar formerly stood three maples & from the stake notherly to a hemlock it being the most norwest corner bounds of that Devision we have also renewed the bounds of the Land called the maple swamp beginning at a hemlock it being the souwest corner bounds of sd swamp & from thence norward to a maple & from the maple northerly to a red oake & southerly to a hemlock & so westerly to the hemlock abovesd John bishop John knowlton committie. It as also the bounds of another parsell of Land lying at Kittle cove which is bounded as followeth viz : a white oake nere allins meddow & from thence norwest to a black burtch stump & from thence nothwesterly to a white oake being a bounds of Samwell lot As also another parsell of land lying nere gloster line bounded with a white oake & thence westerly to a black oake being a bounds of John knowltons lots

John Siblee John Knowlton Comitie





[185] It manchester march y<sup>e</sup> 26 : 1704 Received of m<sup>r</sup> phillip nicoals constable for manchester for the year one thousand seven hundred and two in full forty five pounds mony

I say received by me

nicholas webster

[188] It boston may the 9<sup>th</sup> 1704 received of m<sup>r</sup> Samuella leach cunstable of manchester 15-11-00 in full recd for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor

Treasurer

Jer allins

[182] It at a town meting in manchester Leaguly warned and met to gather June the 19<sup>th</sup> 1704 John Allin senr moderater At the same meting beniamen Allin Is chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals at the next inferier cort of pleas at Salem the last tusday of June eurant

[197] It at a town meting Leaguallly warnd and met to gather upon the 7<sup>th</sup> of august 1704 the present selectmen are chosen asesers for this year Insuing

[187] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of february 1704<sup>5</sup>. a town rate made amounting to the sum of 24-05-02 and a town rate made the first day of September 1704 amounting to the sum of 25-02-04 mony

It a cuntry rate made the 10 day of august 1704 amounting to the sum of 47-02-06

[199] It at a town meting Leaguallly warnd and met to gather upon the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1705 John bishop is chosen moderater for this present meting At the same meting are chosen town officers for the year insuing to be chosen by holding up the hand It Robbert Leach John knowlton and aron bennet select men John Ley town clark John knowlton Town Treasurer Ezekiell knowlton constable for this year Insuing It willam hossum John bishop and beniamen allin seavaiers of high wayes It phillip nicoas and mark triker tithing men It John bishop clark of the markit It samuella stone and robbert Leach Jun<sup>r</sup> fence vewers and field Drivers wil- liam hossum culler of fish

It the abov written town officers of whom an oath by law is required are sworn to the faithfull Discharge of their Dooty for the yeare insuing before us the subscribers this 27<sup>th</sup> of March 1705

robbert Leach sen<sup>r</sup>

and Aron bennet Jun<sup>r</sup>

Sealect men

[186] It we whos nams are underwriten being apointed to renew the bounds between Manchester and Wenham and we met on the 24<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1705 and by mutiall consent have renewed the bounds between our towns begining at a white oake marked with W and M and so on the line renewed the bounds a stump with a stak in it with stons about it standing in Ipswich line the stump is called by the name of Dodges stump Beniamen Edwards timothy patch for Wenham John knowlten Aron bennet Jun<sup>r</sup> for Manchester It Aprill the 24<sup>th</sup> 1705 we the subscribers being chosen by the sealectmen of manchester and Glosester have met togather and have renewed the bounds between our sd towns from a white oak at the est end of grayes beach marked with 4 marks and stons about it and from thence notherly in the line to a pine marked with 4 marks and stons about it called gardners tree and from sd gardners tree notherly to the heape of rocks being the corner bounds between manchester Glosester and Ipswich and this is our return robbert Leach John Ley for Manchester John Sargent thomas Bray for Glosester [187] It we whos nams are underwriten being sealectmen of Beverly and such as we have appointed to preambulate on the bounds and line between the bounds of Beverly and Manchester together with whos names are underwriten being appointed by the seelectmen of manchester to preambulate upon the bounds and line between the towns afore sd accordingly met togather on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill 1705 and have preambulated upon the bounds and line between the towns of manchester and beverly afore sd viz from the middle of chubs creek so called and so to run in the middle of sd creek to a rock at the head of the nother brantch of sd creek which rock we renewed by laying stons upon sd rock and from sd rock to a white oake tree standing at the este end of pleasant pond so called which tree we renewed marking it with fower marks all the bounds were perambulated upon by the persons appointed by the sd towns in the year 1694 to perambulate upon the sd bounds and line aforsd as appears by ther return bearing Date the 30<sup>th</sup> of aprill 1694

for beverly thomas west

for manchester

John falch

John Siblee

Joseph herick

Ezekiell Knolton

Robbert brisco

[187] It october the 13<sup>th</sup> 1705 Reekned with william Allin as he was Cunstable in manchester for all rats committed to him in 1704 and all accounts ballanced for the abovsd Rats







boston December 11<sup>th</sup> 1705

It received of m<sup>r</sup> william Allin cunstable of manchester by the hands of m<sup>r</sup> John Knowlton one pound and sixteen shillings in full for m<sup>r</sup> Jams Taylor Treasurer which is in full of 47 = 02 = 06 paid to the abov sd treasurer for his other resaits

[188] It Boston november the 29<sup>th</sup> 1705 Recd of m<sup>r</sup> Ezekiell knowlton cunstable of manchester twenty three pounds two shillings in part Recd for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

Jer allins

It reckned with Sarah knowlton rellect to Ezekiell as he was cunstable in the year 1705 for rats to him commit to him in the abovsd year and all accounts ballanced

[187] Received of m<sup>r</sup> John knowlton the sum of seventeen shillings and fower pence it being in full for what the town of manchester assesed for the countie rate in the year 1705

John appleton treasurer

Ipswich november 21 : 1705

[153] March the 4<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>5</sup> we whos nams are underwritten being chosen a committee to Devide Sum part of our town of manchesters commons Land at a meting of the propriaters of the abovsd common upon the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Janary 170<sup>5</sup> being a committie chosen as appears by a vote in our third book of records and to Devide to Each common right the quantity of ten acors sd common Land to be Devided three parts of sd Land next to gloster line kittell cove and friends farm and the other 2 parts on the west

side of the abovsd [154] And we have Laid out and bounded as followeth to each person his proportion acording to his right which are bounded as followeth fidelosett the first Lot to Abram masters and Samuelli Lee is bounded as followeth viz upon gloster line at the northeast corner with a white oke and from that norwesterly 15 pols upon gloster line to a bunch of maples and from that southwesterly by Isack Whitiers Lot to a red oke stump and from that Esterly by the highwaye that goeth to gloster to a great rock nere the corner of knightes fence.

It The 2<sup>d</sup> Lot is Isack Whitiers and is bounded as followeth viz. at the northeast end upon gloster line a bunch of maples and at the norwest corner a black burtch and from that southwesterly by John knowltons lot southeasterly to a pitch pine and from that esterly to a Red oke stump between him and abram mastus and the abovsd lot is now in the possession of John knowlton purchaser

It the 3<sup>d</sup> Lot is John knowltons and is bounded as followeth viz the first bounds upon gloster line is a black burtch northeast and a black oke norwest and from that southwesterly by sd knowltons 4<sup>th</sup> lot untill it comes to a white oke and from that esterly to a pitch pine between him and the abov sd whichers Lot

the 4<sup>th</sup> Lot is John knowltons and is bounded as followeth on gloster line 10 the first Bounds south est a black oke and nor west a black oke and from that southwesterly to a white pine and from that southeasterly to a white oke being a bounds of the third Lot

It the 5<sup>th</sup> Lot is Abram mastuses and is bounded as followeth on gloster line 10 poles southeast a black oke and norwest a white oke and from that southwesterly by Samuell Leaches lot to a white pine and from that esterly to a whit being a bounds of John 4<sup>th</sup> Lot

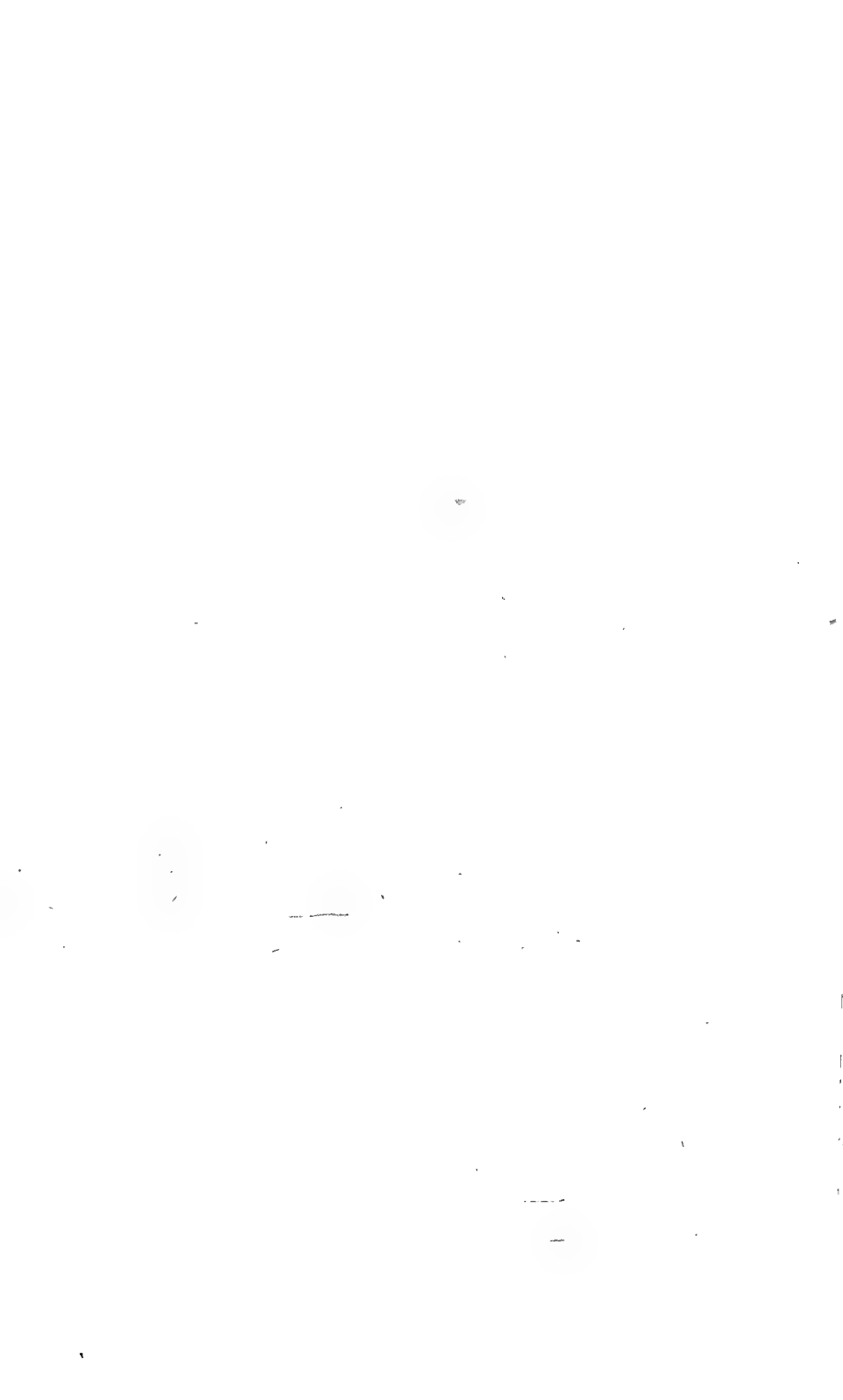
[155] It the 6<sup>th</sup> Lot is Samuell Leaches and is bounded as followeth upon gloster line at the Este end 10 pols the first bounds at the southeast corner a white oke and at the norwest corner a white oke and from that southwesterly to a pitch pine and from that esterly to a white pine being a bound of between him Abram Mastus lot.

It The 7<sup>th</sup> Lot John bishops and is bounded as followeth upon gloster 10 pols the first bounds at the southeast corner is a white oke and at the norwest a white oke stump and rocks about it and from that Southwesterly by capt Wests Lot to a Red oke and from that Esterly to a pitch pine being a bounds between him and Samuell Leachs Lot.

It The 8<sup>th</sup> Lot is capt thomas Wests and is bounded as followeth upon gloster line 10 pols at the southeast corner with a white oke stump and at the norwest with a black burtch and from that southwesterly by Samuel Leaches Lot to a black oke and from that esterly to a red oke being a bounds between him and John Bishop

It the 9<sup>th</sup> Lot is Samuell Leaches and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a black burtch and at the norwest with a white oke and from that southwesterly by Joseph Woodberyes to a white oke and from that Esterly to a black oke it being a bounds between him and capt. west

It the 10<sup>th</sup> Lot is Joseph Woodberyes and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a white oke and at the norwest with a heap of stons and from that southwesterly by onysephros allins lot to a black oke and from that Esterly to a white oke it being a bounds between him and Samuell Leach





It the 11<sup>th</sup> Lot is onysiphros Allins and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a heape of stons and at the norwest with a white oke and from that south westerly by John Leys lot to a pitch pine and from that Esterly to a black oke it being a bounds between him and Joseph woodberys lot.

It the 12<sup>th</sup> is John Lyes and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a white oke and at the norwest with a Red oke and from that southwesterly by Robbert Leaches Lot to a white oke and from that Esterly to a pitch pine it being a bounds between him and Onisiphros allins lot

[156] It the 13<sup>th</sup> is Robbert Leaches and is bounded at the southeast corner with a red oke and at the norwest with a beatch and from that southwesterly by Samuell Stons lot to a stump and stons about it and from that Esterly to a white oke it being a bounds between him and John Leys Lot

It the 14<sup>th</sup> Lot Samuel Stons and William Allins and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a beatch and at the norwest with a white oke and from that southwesterly by Robbert Leaches lot to a stump with stons about it and Esterly to a stump it being a bounds between him and robber Leaches lot and all these 14 lot Joyn to gloscter line at the norwest end as allso the 15<sup>th</sup> Lot being robbert Leaches

It the 15<sup>th</sup> Lot is Robbert Leaches and is bounded as followeth at the southeast: corner with a white oke and at the norwest with a white oke and from southwesterly by the common on a strait to a hemblock neere millits so called and from that Esterly to a stump between him and Samuell Stone and William allins Lot

It the 16<sup>th</sup> Lot is John crowes and is bounded at the South end upon the Sea and the Southeast corner bonds is a white oke and from that notherly to a white pine on the south side of the highway that goeth to kittle cove and from that southerly by John coyces lot to a pitch pine nere the Sea and from that Esterly by the Sea to the abovsd white oke being his first bounds

It the 17<sup>th</sup> Lot is John coyces and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a pitch pine between him and John crow and from that notherly to a pitch pine and from that norwest to a white pine and from that southerly by Samuell allins lot to a pitch pine:

It the 18<sup>th</sup> Lot is Samuell allins which was william Sen<sup>r</sup>s rite and is bounded as followeth on the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that notherly to a pitch pine and from norwest to a white

16<sup>th</sup> Lot  
C. Crow

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pine and from that a southerly by the parson lot to a pitch pine near the Sea at the South end

[157] It the 19<sup>th</sup> Lot is the parsonage lot and is bounded as followeth on the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by Samuell allins lot to a white pine and from that norwest to a pitch pine and from that southerly by Samuell Leaches lot to a pitch pine nere the Sea alies ben and richerd

It the 20<sup>th</sup> Lot is richard & beniamen Leaches and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by the parsonage lot to a pitch pine and from that norwest to a pitch pine and from that southerly to a pitch pine nere the Sea.

It the 21 Lot is John normons and is bounded as followeth on the Southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by richard and beniamen Leaches lot to a pitch pine and from that norwest to a white oke stump w<sup>t</sup> rocks about it and from that northerly by Samuell polins Lot to a pitch pine being the southwest corner bounds of sd Lot.

It the 22<sup>d</sup> Lot is Samuell polins and is bounded as followeth on the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by John normons lot to a white oke stump and from that norwest to a Red oke and from southerly by Joseph woodberyes lot to a pitch pine being the south west corner bounds of said Lot

It the 23<sup>d</sup> Lot is Joseph woodberyes and is bounded as followeth on the south est corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by Samuell polins Lot to a red oke and from that to a hemlock and from that southerly by Samuell corings lot to a pitch pine being the southwest corner bounds of sd lot

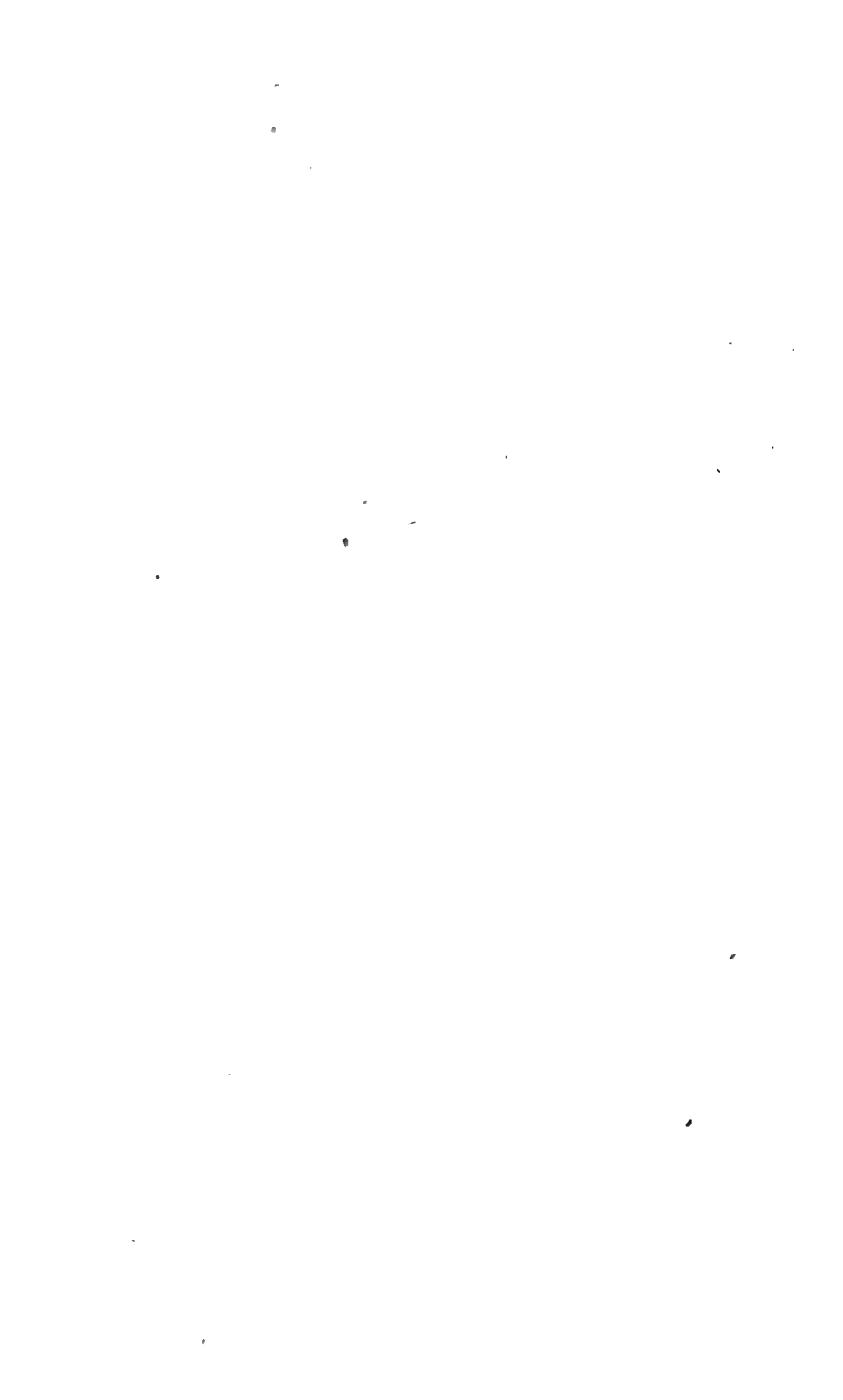
It the 24<sup>th</sup> Lot is Samuell Cornings and is bounded as followeth on the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by Joseph woodberyes Lot to a hemlock and from that norwest to a white pine and from that southerly by onysiphros allins lot to a pitch pine being the southwest corner bounds of sd lot

It the 25<sup>th</sup> Lot is onysiphros allins and is bounded as followeth on the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that northerly by Samuell cornings lot to a white pine and from that norwest to a black burtch and from that southerly by John and beniamen allins lot to a pitch pine being the southwest corner bounds of sd lot

[158] the 26<sup>th</sup> Lot is John and beniamen allins and is bounded as followeth at the southeast corner with a pitch pine and from that







notherly by onysiphoros allins lot and to a black burtch and from that norwest to a pitch pine and from that southerly neere ajoyning to graves farm to a pitch pine and being the southwest corner bounds of the abov sd lot and is the southeast corner bounds of graveses farm then next lots are on y<sup>e</sup> westerly part of the town on y<sup>e</sup> southerd of y<sup>e</sup> great Hill

It the 27<sup>th</sup> Lot is capt Thomas Wests and is bounded as followeth at the south west corner with a black oke stump with rocks about it and from that Esterly to a pitch pine and from that notherly by Joseph and Jonathan allins lot to a popler and from that westerly to a rock and from that south westerly to a beatch neere ajoyning to Joseph woodberyes land and by sd woodberyes land southeastly to the bounds first mentioned

It the 28<sup>th</sup> is Joseph and Jonathan allins and is bounded as followeth southwest corner a pitch pine and southeast a black oke and from that notherly by John normons lot to a black oke and norwest corner a black burtch and from that southerly by capt lot to a pitch pine

It the 29<sup>th</sup> Lot is John normons and is bounded as followeth on the south west corner a pitch pine and from southeast to a pitch pine and from that notherly to a black oke and norwest a black oke

It the 30<sup>th</sup> Lot is Georg nortons and is bounded as followeth at the southwest corner a black oke and southeast a pitch pine and from that notherly to a white oke and norwest to a black oke

It the 31 Lot is richard and beniamen Leaches and is bounded as followeth at the southwest corner a pitch pine and southeast a black oke and from notherly to a black oke and from that norwest to a white oke

[159] It the 32<sup>d</sup> Lot is Aron bennet sen<sup>r</sup> and Ezekiell knowlton to Each of them half a Lot apece and is bounded as followeth at the south west corner with a pitch pine and at the south est with a black oke and from that notherly to a white oke and from that norwest to a black oke

It the 33<sup>d</sup> Lot is John Leyes and is bounded as followeth at the southwest corner with a pitch pine and from that southeast to a pitch pine being a bounds of aron bennets land and from that notherly and to his own land to a whit oke by sd bennets land to a black oke and from that nor westerly to a red oke stump and from that to the norwest corner bounds which is a white oke and from that southeasterly by aron bennets and

Ezekiell knowltons land to the pitch pine first above named and so on a strait line to George nortons Land

It the 34<sup>th</sup> Lot is Nathaniell Stons and is bounded as followeth on the southwest corner with a white oke and at the southeast with a red burtch and from that notherly to a black oke and from that norwest to a red oke

It the 35<sup>th</sup> Lot is capt. John Siblees and is bounded as on the southwest corner with a white oke and southeast a red burtch and from that notherly to a red oke and from that to the norwest corner which is a black oke

It the 36<sup>th</sup> Lot is aron bennet sen<sup>r</sup> and is bounded as followeth at the southwest corner with a white oke and southeast a white oke and from that notherly to a black burtch and norwest red oke

It the 37<sup>th</sup> Lot is capt. thomas wests and is bounded as followeth at the southwest corner with a white oke and southeast with a red oke and from that notherly to a beatch and norwest a black burtch and is bounded esterly upon the common — — and the last eleven lots are to butt or ajoyne to Joseph woodberye John crowes daniniell williamses Isack whitier Georg nortons aron bennets and John Leys lands at the Este end of the above sd Lots and on the common at the norwest end of sd lots

[160] It the 38<sup>th</sup> Lot is Robbert Leaches and is bounded as followeth on the north side with his own land which he bought of Aron bennet at Kittle cove and from that southerly allins mash to a pitch pine neere the highway that goeth Cro Island at Kittle cove and from that norwesterly by the sd way tell it coms to the way that goeth to glosester and from that Esterly to the westermost corner of the abovsd Leaches Land which he bought of the abovsd aron bennet

It All the which abovsd thirty eight Lots are laid out and bounded by us the subscribers namely

capt thomas west  
capt John Siblee  
Robbert Leach  
John Ley  
Abram Mastus  
John knowlton

committie

At a meeting of the proprietors in manchester november 21<sup>th</sup> 1706 it is Voted and agreed to lay out 50 or 60 Acors of land at





the west end of our common for a wood lot and no wood nor timber to be cut of from sd lot to be sould out of our sd town of manchester on penaltie of a fine for every cord of wood and so far every tun of timber and sd lot to be laid out by the committie for the Devision of our common Land

1706  
to Acts  
for Wm

It at a meeting of the committee November the 22<sup>d</sup> 1706 then laid out for a wood lot a small parsill of common land at the west end of our common and is bounded as followeth at the southest corner with a beatch being the northest corner bounds of capt wests lot laid out to him in the last Devission and from that notherly to a white oke marked with 4 marks and ajoyning to the west Devission and all the common Land lying between the west Devission and the este Devission Lots lying to the west of the abov sd bounds to Joseph woodberyes land is prohibitted that no wood nor timber shall be cut nor carryed to any water side or landing place and exposed to sale out of our town of manchester upon the penaltie of paying the [161] sum of ten shillings a cord for every cord of wood and ten shillings for every tun of timber so found and so to remain for the towns use at home in the town and so for more or less quantytie of wood or timber and phillip nicoals and william hossum sen<sup>r</sup> are to oversee the abovsd wood lot and to make reporte to the town treasurer who shall prossecute the breakers of the abovsd order in the behalf of the propriaters of sd common as the Law Derects and return 3 parts of such fins to the propriaters to thare own use and behoof

capt Thomas West

capt John Siblee

Robbert Leach

John Ley

Abram mastus

John knowlton

committie

[161] It Whareas we the subscribers did formerly lay out to phillip nicoals a small parsill of ground about one acor be it more or Less lying in manchester we being a committee chosen to lay out the abov sd ground as appears in our 2<sup>d</sup> book of Records in manchester and thare being as yet no fair Entry of the bounds of the abovesd ground we the subscribers have met to gether this 28<sup>th</sup> March and have renewed the bounds which bounds are as followeth viz: at the norwest with a heap of stons on a rock nere phillip nicoals hous and from that esterly to a rock with a

heape of stons upon a rock neer to sd nicoals barn and from thence southeasterly to a heape of stons and from thence westerly to a heape of stons which is the southwest corner bounds and ajoyning to abram mastuses land and from that notherly by said mastuses Land to the heap of stons neere nicoals hous first above mentioned and we order this to be recorded in our towns book of records to be a standing record the abovsd land being formerly granted to robbert and is now herby conveyed to the abovsd phillip nicoals as witness our hands this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1704

Capt John Siblee  
 Robbert Leach  
 John knowlton  
 John Ley  
 capt Thomas west  
 committie

and I robber marvin being present at the entry request that the abov sd grant may be entered to phillip nicoals as witness my hand this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1704 the mark R of robert marvin

Atest John Ley town clark

[162] It Whereas as we the subscribers did formerly laye out to William hossom a small parsell of land and it falls short of a grant made to him in our 2<sup>d</sup> book of records we the Subscribers have met togather upon this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 1704 and have layed out to the abovsd william hossom a small parsell of land of about three quarters of an acor be it more or less which land is bounded as followeth viz westerly with mr Joseph woodberys farm line and ajoyning to sd woodberys stone wal tell it coms to nicoalses stone wall at the south end and by sd wall esterly to a heape of stons nere the corner of sd nicoaleses wall and from thence notherly on a strait line by thomas aireses land to a heape of stons nere the highway and nere ajoyning to his own land and from thence westerly by his own land to sd woodberyes line abovsd

Robbert Leach  
 Capt Thomas west  
 John knowlton  
 John Ley  
 committie

[188] It Boston august the 13<sup>th</sup> 1706 Recd of m<sup>r</sup> Ezekeele knowlton cunstale of manchester by m<sup>r</sup> John knowlton five pounds one shilling in full reed for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

Jer allins







It march y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>g</sup> then received of cunstable Ezekiell knowlton cunstable for manchester the year last past the sum of twenty-two pounds and ten shillings it being in full for my sallery to the first of october last past

received by me  
Nicolas webster

It as also paid to m<sup>r</sup> webster 22 = 10 = 00 more as appears by his reseits

It At a meting of the select men march the 24<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>g</sup> then reckned with Samuell Leach as he was cunstable of manchester in the year 1706 for all rats to him committed in the year abovsd and thare remains to ballance all accounts the sum of 15-11-00 which mony is Dew to the cuntry treasurer

[189] It a rate made and committed to Samuell ston cunstable of manchester amounting to forty six pounds and seaventeen shillings and six pence to cleare and pay to the treasurer at boston forty six according as he shall receive warant from him and to pay the remainder to the sealectmen for the towns use

Samuell lee  
samuell Leach    sealect  
John Knowlton    men

this present rate made the 20<sup>th</sup> of august 1707

It a town rate made the 16<sup>th</sup> of august 1707 amounting to twenty five pounds and ten shillings and to pay to m<sup>r</sup> webster twenty two pounds and ten shillings at or before the Last of september next insuing the Date hereof and 12 shillings to mark tricker and the rest to the sealectmen for the towns use and committed to Samuel Stone to collect by the sealect men of manchester

Samuell Lee        } selectmen  
John Knowlton    }    of  
Samuell Leach    } manchester

It Reckned with beniamen allin as he was cunstable of manchester for all the rats committed to him in the yeare 1708 that is to say for town and cuntry rats and thare remains Dew from sd allin to the cuntry 22 = 18 = 00 and to m<sup>r</sup> nicas webster 22 = 10 = 00 mony and to mark tricker Eight shillings and to the town for over plus mony 1-17-0

beniamen allin  
cunstable of manchester  
his X mark

It payed out of the over plus mony raised ben allins rats to  
 aron bennet expence in runging the line 00 = 03 = 00  
 and to John ley town clark for 3 years 00 = 17 = 00  
 and paid to John knowlton for mony lent to  
 supply souldiers 01 = 00 = 00  
 and 4 shillings to the cunstable allowed him 00 = 04 = 00

[86] At at town meting in manchester the 13<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>7</sup> a com-  
 mittie chosen to seate our meting hous forthwith namely John  
 knowlton Joseph woodbery John allin samuell Leach Samuell Lee  
 John Ley capt Siblee

[199] It at a town meting Leaguallly warned and met togather  
 upon the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1708 John bishop is chosen moderater  
 for this present meting voted to chus our town offisers for the year  
 insuing by holding up the hand at the same meting are chosen  
 for sealect men for this yeare capt John Siblee Robbert Leach John  
 knowlton Beniamen Allin cunstable for this yeare insuing and is  
 sworn John ley town clark and is sworn onisiphros tithing man  
 phillip nicoals tithing man and is sworn mark tricker and ephram  
 Jons seavayers of fences and is sworn John knowlton town treas-  
 urer

John allin seavayer at the est end of sd town and is sworn

[200] It Robbert Marvin sevayer of highways at the west end  
 of our sd town to aron bennets hous John pearce culler of fish  
 and is sworn John bishop clark of the markit at a town meting  
 in manchester march y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1708 whare as thare is a complaint  
 exhibited by Jams robason of boston against our sd town of man-  
 chester bearing Date february the 16<sup>th</sup> 1707<sup>8</sup> It is voted at this sd  
 meting m<sup>r</sup> John knowlton shall appeare at the sessions at Ipswich  
 to make answer in the behalf of our town of manchester to the  
 abovsd complaint and thare in to proseed as the law Derects

[189] It at a meting salect men of manchester upon the 27  
 Day of august 1709 there was a rate made amounting to the sum  
 of 28 = 14 = 05 to pay<sup>e</sup> m<sup>r</sup> webster one half yers sallerry and our  
 towns proportion to the county rate and other nessary town charges  
 and is committed to constable thomas pitman to collect and gather  
 with a warrant thare to annexed whare in he is required to make  
 payment of the abovsd sum acording to the Derections given him  
 in sd warrant and to cleare his accounts with the town treasurer  
 at or before the last Day of october [190] next insuing the Date





|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Richard & Ann Leach | 37 Acres          |
| Rob Leach Sr,       | 47 $\frac{3}{8}$  |
| Sam Leach           | 31 $\frac{1}{4}$  |
| Adm of J. Sibley    | 36 $\frac{1}{8}$  |
| Alfred & Michel     | 2                 |
| Oray, Allen         | 34 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Fiske & Allen heirs | 16                |
| Sam. Allen          | 38 $\frac{3}{4}$  |
| Prospector 400 ac   | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$   |
| V. Norman Mrs Cate  | 68 $\frac{1}{6}$  |
| Pedunk              | 28 $\frac{5}{16}$ |
| J. Parker           | 8 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| Joe Lee             | 7 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| Venart              | 32 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
|                     | <hr/>             |
|                     | 357 $\frac{5}{8}$ |

$$\begin{array}{r} 385 \\ 335 \\ \hline 27 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \frac{5}{5} \\ \hline 5 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{8}{8} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{9}{13}$$





|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| hereof that is to say to m <sup>r</sup> webster | 22 = 10 = 00 |
| and to mark tricker                             | 00 = 12 = 00 |
| and to John Ley sen <sup>r</sup>                | 01 = 08 = 00 |
| and to Samuell Stone                            | 00 = 06 = 00 |
| and the over plus which is                      | 03 = 18 = 05 |
| to John Knowlton town treasurer                 |              |

It at a meting of the salect men of manchester upon the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of february 1709<sup>10</sup> thare was a rate made amounting to the sum of 26 = 05 = 02 to pay m<sup>r</sup> websters one half a yearssallery and other nessary town charges and is committed cunstable thomas pitman to collect and gather forthwith with a warrant thare to annexed wherin he is required to make payment of the sum of 22 = 10 = 00 to m<sup>r</sup> nicolas webster at or before the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of march next insuing the Date hereof and the overplush which is 03 = 15 = 02 and to cleare his accounts with the town treasurer at or before the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of march next for the sum total of this rate

[190] It reckned with thomas pitman cunstable of manchester for the year 1709 for all our town rats committed to him in the yeare 1709 and thare remains Dew to the town from sd pitman cunstable of manchester the full and Just sum of 26 = 14 = 04 in mony to be payed forthwith upon Demand to the town treasurer or his order march the 16<sup>th</sup> 1709<sup>10</sup> thomas pitman cunstable of manchester and the abovsd is to satisfie all town Debts in the year 1709 that is to say to m<sup>r</sup> nicolas webster for his last half of the yere 1709

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
|   | 22 = 10 = 00 |
| and to the county treasurer   | 01 = 08 = 08 |
| and to John Lee junier for mending the meting hous seats  | 00 = 06 = 00 |
| and to a ladder to the parsonag hous  | 00 = 03 = 00 |
| and to mark tricker   | 00 = 06 = 00 |
| and to william hosum  | 00 = 06 = 00 |
| and to John Ley senier for sarving town clark and other expense in the towns behalf in the yeare 1709 | 00 = 16 = 00 |
| and to John knowltons expenses for the town this yeare  | 00 = 15 = 03 |

[191] It boston Desember 14<sup>th</sup> 1709

Recd of m<sup>r</sup> thomas pitman cunstable of manchester twenty pounds in part for m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler Jent Jer allins

It Boston June 28<sup>th</sup> 176 Reced of m<sup>r</sup> thomas pitman cunstable of manchester twenty pound in part for m<sup>r</sup> Jams tayler

Jer Allins

January 8<sup>th</sup> 1710.

[192] Reed of m<sup>r</sup> robbert warrin constable of manchester twenty-six pounds three shillings and six pence in part reed

m<sup>r</sup> James taylor treasurer

Jer Allins

[191] It aprill the 15 1710—then reed of m<sup>r</sup> cunstable thomas pitman in full for y<sup>e</sup> year last past twenty two pound and ten shillings

I say reseived by me m<sup>r</sup> nicklous webster

It September the 18<sup>th</sup> 1710 then received of cunstable thomas pitman four pound and eleven pence Dew to me from the town

I say received by me John knowlton town treasurer

It Boston October 16<sup>th</sup> 1710 Recd of m<sup>r</sup> thomas pitman cunstable of manchester by m<sup>r</sup> phillip nicols six pounce in full

reed for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer Jn<sup>o</sup> wheelwright

[192] It march the 26<sup>th</sup> 1711 then received of cunstable robbert warrin twenty two pound and ten shilling in full for the first half of the year past

I say received by me nicolas webster

It march the 26<sup>th</sup> 1711 received of cunstable warrin in part for his second rate for the year past seaven pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence

I say received by me niclos webster

[191] It the bounds betwen beverly and wenham and Glosester and manchester are renewed by the sealect men and officers by thare orders upon the seavententh Day of aprill 1711

[200] At a town meting in manchester on the 7<sup>d</sup> of august 1711 it is voted that the present select men shall be assesers for this year insuing

[30] July the 24<sup>th</sup> 1711 there was a procklametion red to take all Desarters that have Desarted her majesties Sarvis in this expedition to Canada on penalty of fifty pounds fine or twelve months Imprissonment for any that shall entertain any of them and this was red in manchester about 2 of the clock in the afternoon

[191] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1711 thare was a contry rate made and is commeted to constable robbert leach to collect and gather as he shall receive warrant from Jams taylor Gent treasurer sd rate amounting to the sum of 47-06-00





[192] It boston august the 24<sup>th</sup> 1711 Reed of m<sup>r</sup> robbert warrin constable of manchester by the hand of m<sup>r</sup> David Edwards nine pounds nine shillings in part reed for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer

Will<sup>m</sup> taylor

[191] It at a meting of the select men of manchester upon the 27<sup>th</sup> day of 1711 thare was a rate made and commetted to robbert Leach constable of manchester amounting to the sum of 25-09-00 mony to Defray our town and county charges and is committed to him to collect and gather forthwith with a warant thare to annexed whare in he required to make payment acording to the abov sd warrant

[192] It Boston november the 11<sup>th</sup> 1711 received of m<sup>r</sup> Robbert warrin constable of manchester seaven pounds ten and sixpence in full for m<sup>r</sup> Jams taylor treasurer theo Lillie

It manchester november 15<sup>th</sup> 1711 then received of m<sup>r</sup> cunstable robbert warrin in full for his second rate fourteen pounds thirteen shillings and sixpence—I say received by me nicolas webster

[212] May y<sup>e</sup> 23, 1711. The Proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> Land Called y<sup>e</sup> Four Hundred Acres have agreed to settle and state according as it hath been formerly bounded to Every Man as they have Prosessed As followeth; That is to Say: That All the Land Aioyning to y<sup>e</sup> Widow Leaches house, Being about seaventeen Acres. Bounded as followeth: Viz: Southerly by the Land of Robert Leach Sen<sup>r</sup> Westerly by y<sup>e</sup> way that goes to Chebaccho Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Brook called the Beaver Dam-Brook; Eastwardly by y<sup>e</sup> fence that fences in y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Knowlton & Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons Meadows: Said Lands as above Said is sett of By y<sup>e</sup> Proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> Said four hundred Acres to Richard Leach, and Benjamin Leach, As their part in Said four hundred Acres in y<sup>e</sup> Right of their Father Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach Deceased to have and to hold Said Land according to Bound Marks. Further the said Proprietours have Set of to Said Richard & Benjamin Leach, One Acre and half of Meadow lyening in y<sup>e</sup> Cold Spring Meadow Bounded Westwardly upon y<sup>e</sup> Upland, Northerly upon Bartletts Meadow Eastwardly by y<sup>e</sup> Brook: Southwardly by y<sup>e</sup> Allens Meadow to Have & to Hold s<sup>d</sup> Meadow According to Bound Marks:—Allso two Acres of Upland upon Bishops Point bounded Easterly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen & Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton S. E. on Meadow. Allso about one Quarter of an Acre near Stevens his Houses, and twenty Pole or thereabouts upon y<sup>e</sup> East of y<sup>e</sup> way (near y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill) that goes to Chebaccho: To Have and to Hold Said Land according to Bound Marks; to be their whole Part in sd 400 Acres. ) Wee the

Proprietours have sett of to Robt. Leach Sen<sup>r</sup> as his whole Right in  
 y<sup>e</sup> four Hundred Acres ; That is to Say Ajoyning to Robt. Leach J<sup>nr</sup>  
 about Seven Acres ; Bounded Westwardly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons  
 Land ; Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Town Common ; Eastwardly upon y<sup>e</sup> way  
 that goes to Chebaccho ; South as y<sup>e</sup> way goes to Said Knowltons  
 Land ; And Seaven Acres in the Plainfield ; Bounded Southerly  
 upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltens Land Westerly by y<sup>e</sup> way near Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach j<sup>nr</sup>  
 house : Northwardly upon Richard and Benjamin Leaches Land,  
 Eastwardly by Richard and Benjamin Leaches Meadow : Allso three  
 Acres of Upland Bounded Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way that goes to Kittle  
 Cove ; Westerly upon Joseph Allens Land ; Notherly upon P.  
 Leaches own Land or Meadow ; Easterly upon Eliab Littlefield &  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishops Land : And two Acres and halfe of Meadow ; Bounded  
 Westwardly upon P. Leaches owne Land : Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Land  
 of Richard and Benjamin Leach ; Eastwardly upon Stones Land ;  
 Southerly upon said Littlefield & Bishops Land : And about an Acre  
 of Meadow near and ajoyning upon Charles Stevens upland : And  
 about Twenty Pole of Upland near the Saw Mill and ajoyning upon  
 y<sup>e</sup> Way near Tarrings house ; And Allso about Eight Acres - & a  
 Quarter of Upland lying upon the fresh Meadow Rock. Bounding  
 West upon Joseph Allen, Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way, Easterly upon  
 said Littlefield and Bishops Land ; Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> g<sup>t</sup> Neck fence.  
 And allso ten Acres of Upland lying in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck called y<sup>e</sup> Old  
 Lott ; Bounded Westwardly upon y<sup>e</sup> great Creek ; Northerly upon  
 land of Onicephorus Allen ; Easterly to y<sup>e</sup> Sea ; Southerly upon  
 the Land of y<sup>e</sup> Widow Knowlton, South East Corner Bound being  
 a White Oake. [213] Allso about Two Acres and halfe of Upland  
 butting upon y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> leads thro y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck, And about four  
 Acres where said Leaches house and Barn now stands, all within  
 fence ; Salt Marsh and Upland. And about an Acre and halfe of  
 Upland upon y<sup>e</sup> Northside the way near said Leaches owne house :  
 Bounded Westwardly upon land of Mrs. Carter Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup>  
 way near y<sup>e</sup> Widow Trickers house easterly upon Sam<sup>n</sup> Leaches  
 Lott : And halfe an Acre of Marsh in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck y<sup>e</sup> Neck Cove ;  
 Said Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach to have and to hold all the above sd Land, All  
 and Every Part and Parcell of them according to y<sup>e</sup> severall bound  
 marks. And this to be his Part on y<sup>e</sup> four hundred acres. Wee  
 y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours have sett of Sam<sup>n</sup> Leach his whole right in y<sup>e</sup> four  
 hundred Acres ; It is agreed that the said Leach Shall have five  
 Acres of Upland ajoyning Westwardly to his house bounded Wester-







ly upon y<sup>e</sup> end of Severall Lotts and as his fence and Wall now stands ; And Northerly to y<sup>e</sup> Mill Brook as the Channell goes to Sam<sup>l</sup> Lees Meadow ; And Easterly upon Lee and Littlefields Land & Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way near his owne house : And allso a Small Piece of Upland about an acre, Said Leaches Barn standing upon part of it ; Bounded Southerly upon Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's land and the way ; And Westerly upon said Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's Land ; Northerly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton's Land. And about a Quarter of an Acre on y<sup>e</sup> South Side of y<sup>e</sup> way near Said Leache's owne house. Allso about eighteen Acres of Upland and Salt Marsh Bounded Westerly upon Bishops Marsh Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Marsh, Eastwardly as y<sup>e</sup> fence stands, or to y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to y<sup>e</sup> great Neck : Northerly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishops Land ; Allso about five Acres lying in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck, Bounded Eastwardly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee Northerly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishops Land Westerly to y<sup>e</sup> Cove called y<sup>e</sup> Neck cove. Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Land of Joseph Pickworth now in y<sup>e</sup> Possession of said Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach & Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee. Allso Two Acres of fresh Meadow ; Bounded Northerly upon Bartletts Meadow Westwardly upon y<sup>e</sup> Creek, Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Allens Meadow ; Easterly upon Richard & Benjamin Leach's Land ; Said Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach to have & to hold all the above sd Parcels of Upland & Meadow Ground ; being Sett of by y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours as all his Part in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres. Cap<sup>t</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Siblee being a Proprietour in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres wee the Proprietours have sett of to y<sup>e</sup> Administrators of Cap<sup>t</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Siblee Namely to Eliab Littlefield and Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishop their Whole right in said four hundred acres as Administrators to said Siblees Estate that is to say ; Eight Acres of Upland and Meadow ; Bounded Westerly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach's Land ; Northerly upon Charles Stevens Land ; Easterly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens and Sam<sup>l</sup> Fiske ; Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Way near Eliab Littlefields barn. And about an Acre where said Littlefield's house and barn now stands. Bounded Southerly upon Knowltons Salt Marsh, South East Corner Bounds a white Oake Stump. Then Westerly as the Marsh now goes to Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's fence. Westerly by Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's fence ; Northerly by y<sup>e</sup> way ; Easterly by said Fiskes Land Allso Ten Acres of Upland and Swamp bounded Westerly with y<sup>e</sup> Cove called y<sup>e</sup> Neck cove. Northerly by Leach's Land Easterly upon Lee's Lott ; Southerly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach's Land. Allso fourteen Acres or y<sup>r</sup> abouts ajoyning upon Graves his farme. Easterly & Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Sea ; Westerly upon Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's Land Northerly upon Allen's Meadow an allso about half an Acre of Land on y<sup>e</sup> South side of y<sup>e</sup> way to

Same as orig.  
5 Ac

10 Acres  
10 Acres  
10 Acres

Kittle Cove, near y<sup>e</sup> Causeway to Eliab Littlefield his heirs &c. [214] And about an Acre and half of Meadow, bounded to y<sup>e</sup> Upland East and West; Northerly by Sam<sup>l</sup> Stones Meadow & Southerly by Pickworth's Meadow; Allso about an Acre lying near Abraham Masters his house, Bounded Westwardly upon y<sup>e</sup> way near y<sup>e</sup> Ministry house; And Northerly by sd Masters his land y<sup>t</sup> his house stands upon, Eastwardly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leachs land; Southerly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons Land; And about twenty Pole of Upland between y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill & Knowltons Lott; The above sd Land is laid out to said Littlefield and said Bishop, as Administrators to y<sup>e</sup> Estate of sd Jn<sup>o</sup> Siblee; And the Proprietours have sett out all the above sd Parcells of Upland and Meadow with two Acres of Salt Marsh adjoining to Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishops & Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach's Land to them said Littlefield and Bishop it being all their Part in the four hundred Acres; To have and to hold sd Land according to y<sup>e</sup> severall bound marks. We y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours of the four hundred Acres have sett of to Onicephorus Allen his Whole Part in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres as followeth. That is to say eight Acres of Upland and Swamp in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck. Bounded South with Land of Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach: Westerly upon Carters Salt Marsh; Northerly upon Land that was formerly Sam<sup>l</sup> Allens deceased. Eastwardly to y<sup>e</sup> Sea. Allso an acre and halfe of Upland and Marsh where his house stands: Bounded Northerly by y<sup>e</sup> Way, Easterly by y<sup>e</sup> widdow Allen, Southerly to y<sup>e</sup> Creek, West by Fisk; and an Acre of Salt Marsh lying on y<sup>e</sup> South side of Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach's Marsh. Allso five Acres of Upland and Meadow bounded West upon fiske; Northerly to Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens Lott, Easterly upon foster and Carter; Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way, And ten Acres of Land upon the fresh Meadow Rocks; And Six Acres in y<sup>e</sup> Plain field now sold to Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton; and Three Acres near Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton's house; All sold to Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton and now in his Posession; And the land that is now in said Allens Posession, And all the Land above sd we the Proprietours have sett over to said Allen according to Bound marks.

Whereas William Allen <sup>senr</sup> Deceased was a Proprietour in the four hundred Acres; We the Proprietours have sett out his part in said four hundred Acres to Sam<sup>l</sup> Fiske and the Allens; That is to say four Acres of Upland and Meadow where william Allen's house Stood; and on y<sup>e</sup> South Side of y<sup>e</sup> way one Acre and halfe of Upland and Meadow against his other lott; and Two Acres and halfe on the great Neck now in y<sup>e</sup> Possession of the Allens; And one

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Wm Allen

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16. Ac to Fiske & Allen





Acre of Salt Marsh in y<sup>e</sup> g<sup>t</sup> Neck ajoyning to Sam<sup>l</sup> Leachs Upland ; and three Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> fresh Meadow Rocks in y<sup>e</sup> Possession of Joseph and Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen and in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres ajoyning upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Stone now Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons. And three Acres to the Westward of Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons house now Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons. And an Acre of Meadow on y<sup>e</sup> North side of y<sup>e</sup> Mill now in y<sup>e</sup> hands of the Allens. Whereas Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Deceased is a Proprietour in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres y<sup>e</sup> Surviving Proprietours have Sett out his Whole Part in said four hundred Acres to be Received by his Heyrs : That is to say one Acre of Upland w<sup>r</sup> Benjamin and Jonathan Allen's now Stands : Bounded Westerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Ministry Land ; Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Marsh of M<sup>rs</sup> Carter [215] Easterly upon Vincent or Knowltons Lott : (And upon y<sup>e</sup> Neck Five Acres ajoyning Southerly upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishop : West upon Leach's Meadow Northerly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach ; Eastward to y<sup>e</sup> Beach :) And seven Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> Fresh Meadow Rocks ; Bounded Eastwardly upon Robert Leach ; Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Old Neck West upon that that was Vincents ; Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Country Road ; And Two Acres w<sup>r</sup> nere Joseph Allens house stands Bounded Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> County Road ; Westerly upon y<sup>e</sup> Land y<sup>t</sup> is in y<sup>e</sup> possession of Abraham Masters ; Northerly upon Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's Meadow ; Easterly upon Rob<sup>t</sup> Leaches Land : Also about an Acre of Meadew bounded West upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons land. North upon Leach's Meadow East upon Bishops Point. And four Acres in y<sup>e</sup> Plain now Jn<sup>o</sup> Allins bounded Northerly upon Knowltons or Vincent Land, East upon y<sup>e</sup> Meadow ; South, upon Lee, Carter & Knowlton ; And it is agreed that John Allen shall have his part of y<sup>e</sup> halfe acre allowed them next his own Lott, which is Ten rod taking William allens third Part too ; Westwardly said Lott bounds upon y<sup>e</sup> way near his house ; and Five & Twenty rods where Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens Garden now is. And about Three Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> Rocks now Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons. And fifteen upon y<sup>e</sup> East side of the Way to Chebaccho : The Proprietours of y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres for some taken out of their Lott for Jones have given them about halfe an Acre ajoyning upon Sarah Knowltons Orchard on y<sup>e</sup> North side ; Bounded East upon y<sup>e</sup> own Land. Southerly upon Sarah Knowlton Westerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> leads to Chebaccho. Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way leading up to Sam<sup>l</sup> Leachs : Also about an Acre ajoyning Southerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way By Benjamin Allens Barn. West upon his own Land. Northerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> leads by Trickers house & East upon Carter : Also an Acre & Quarter on Bishops Point ajoyning North East upon y<sup>e</sup> line of y<sup>e</sup>

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7 Rods Trickers

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four hundred Acres. West upon y<sup>e</sup> Meadow, South upon Richard Leach Easterly upon Capt. Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton—M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Norman being a Proprietour in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres now sold to M<sup>rs</sup> Carter, Wee y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours have sett their Whole Proportion: That is to say in y<sup>e</sup> Plain Field fifteen Acres bounded Northerly with y<sup>e</sup> land of Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton; Eastwardly to y<sup>e</sup> Meadow, Southerly by y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Masters Land, Westwardly by y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho; And about five Acres on y<sup>e</sup> west side of y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho; Bounded Southerly by y<sup>e</sup> way that goes to the brushie Plain; West by y<sup>e</sup> Ministry Land; Northerly by Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons land. And Two Acres of Meadow in y<sup>e</sup> fresh Meadow: And Six Acres of upland near fosters; And upon the fresh Meadow Rocks Twenty one Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> South East side of y<sup>e</sup> Country Roade; Allso ten or twelve Acres at y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck lying between Bishops Land and Pickworths Lott: Allso two Acres and Quarter of Salt Marsh upon y<sup>e</sup> Great neck: And Three Acres of Upland and one Acre of Salt Marsh where Carters house now Stands: And Two Acres and halfe of Land upon y<sup>e</sup> North side of Way near Carters house; Bounded Westerly by y<sup>e</sup> Allens Lott Northerly to y<sup>e</sup> way near Trickers house; Eastwardly by Rob<sup>t</sup> Leach's Lott: And about thirty Three Pole upon y<sup>e</sup> East side of y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho & forty four Pole of land on y<sup>e</sup> East side of bishops Point. Joseph Peckworth Deceased being a Proprietour in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres. Wee y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours have set of his whole part in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres to his Heirs or Assigns, that is to say, Four Acres where Nathaniel Masters his house Stood, Bounded West upon y<sup>e</sup> way; Northerly upon m<sup>rs</sup> Carter, Easterly upon y<sup>e</sup> Meadow, Southerly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Stone, And four Acres now in Posession of Jabez Dodge. [216] And eleven Pole upon y<sup>e</sup> East side of y<sup>e</sup> way near y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill. And about an Acre of fresh Meadow in y<sup>e</sup> fresh Meadow, Bounded Southerly upon Carter West upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens Lott, North upon Bishops Meadow Easterly upon Masters owne Land. And Two Acres of Upland near Joseph Allens house; Bounded Eastwardly upon Joseph Allen, Southerly upon Carter and the way. And Seven Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> Rocks, West upon Stones Lott Southerly by the way near y<sup>e</sup> Neck fence. Easterly by Carters land & Northerly by y<sup>e</sup> Country Roade. And six Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck; Bounded West upon y<sup>e</sup> Cove, North upon Carter, East upon y<sup>e</sup> Sea: South upon Stone. Allso an acre and Quarter of Salt Marsh Bounded by y<sup>e</sup> Creek and Upland; now Eliab Littlefields: About two Acres and halfe of Upland in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck. Bounded North-







erly by Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach, South by Allen's Lott now Dan<sup>l</sup> Williams; And about an Acre where Abraham Masters house now stands. Bounded West upon y<sup>e</sup> way near the Ministry house; North within five Rod of y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill Brook. Eastwardly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach, Southerly upon Eliab Littlefield. And allso about halfe an Acre near y<sup>e</sup> Causeway that goes to Kittle Cove, Bounded East upon y<sup>e</sup> line of y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres Upon y<sup>e</sup> South side of the way yt goes to Kittle Cove. Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishop two Acres where his house Stands, Bounded West by the way, North, East and South East by Stones Land; And an Acre of Upland w<sup>h</sup> his Barn stands, Bounded as the fence goes; Half an acre of Salt Marsh bounded by y<sup>e</sup> Neck Cove & his owne Land: Also five Acres at y<sup>e</sup> Neck Bounded Westwardly by y<sup>e</sup> Creek South by Carters Land Eastwardly to y<sup>e</sup> Beach, North-erly upon Vincent or Bishops own Land Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee two Acres on y<sup>e</sup> East side of Image hill bounded by y<sup>e</sup> Beach South, And last as y<sup>e</sup> fence now stands, West upon widow Allens Land. Allso one Acre upon y<sup>e</sup> West side of Said Hill; bounded North, by Widdow Allen, West upon Bishop and Leach, East upon Stones Lott South upon y<sup>e</sup> Beach; Allso four Acres of Upland where Jabez Dodge house now stands; Bounded North by the way that goes into the Brusshie Plain. West upon Stone South upon Stone East upon y<sup>e</sup> way; Allso about forty rod of fresh Meadow lying near y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill Brook. Bounded North upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allen South upon Carters Land Lees one Meadow; West upon Onecephorus Allens Meadow, East upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allen: Allso about one Acre of Meadow upon both sides y<sup>e</sup> Saw Mill brook; West upon Carter East upon Masters North upon Bishops Meadow, To Have & to Hold said Parcels of Upland & Meadow According to their Several bound Marks; And to be his whole part in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres, Whereas Nicolas Vincent Deceased was a Proprietour in said four hundred acres his Part is Sate out by us y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours. That is to say One Acre of Upland near Sam<sup>l</sup> Allens Lott Where Nicolas Vincents house stood according to bound Marks. Allso four Acres where Burts house stood. Bounded West upon y<sup>e</sup> Way East upon y<sup>e</sup> Fresh Meadow South upon Allens Lott; North upon Knowltons own land; Allso four Acres upon y<sup>e</sup> West side of y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho; Allso an Acre allotted him for an Acre taken out of his lott for Jones. Bounded West upon said way North upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens Lott, East upon Stevens Lott, South upon said Knowltons; Allso about halfe an Acre ajoyning upon y<sup>e</sup> South end of it; And about two Acres & a halfe of Upland & Meadow near y<sup>e</sup> Causeway now in y<sup>e</sup> Pos-

J. Robt.

7m. 1/2

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ \hline 8\frac{1}{2} \\ 5 \text{ Ac} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ \hline 10 \end{array}$$

$$7\frac{1}{2}$$

Fresh Meadow

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ \hline 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ \hline 12 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ \hline 9 \\ 1\frac{1}{4} \\ \hline 3\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

Vincent

5 Acres  
sold to Siblee

5 Acres  
to Vincent

5 Acres  
to Siblee

session of Jn<sup>o</sup> Bishop & Eliab Littlefield. [217] And five Acres in y<sup>e</sup> Great Neck Sold by Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton to Cap<sup>n</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Siblee. Allso about twelve Acres which the said Knowlton bought of Joseph Allen and Penelope Leach Lying near Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee's house Bounded as y<sup>e</sup> fence now stands; Allso about halfe an Acre where Trickers house now stands. Bounded Westerly upon y<sup>e</sup> way near y<sup>e</sup> Ministry Land. North upon Abraham Masters Land, East upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leachs land & Southerly upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Leach and y<sup>e</sup> way. Allso about three Quarters of an acre near y<sup>e</sup> Causeway upon y<sup>e</sup> Northside of y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Kittle Cove, Bounded North upon Sam<sup>l</sup> Stone, East upon Onecephorus Allen. And allso about an Acre and Quarter upon Bishops Point bounded East upon Leach, West upon Allen & South upon Carter. And allso about Eight Rod of Upland ajoyning upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allens Garden, upon y<sup>e</sup> South Side of said Garden & East upon y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho South upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowltons own Land. It is to be understood yt Jn<sup>o</sup> Knowlton is to have all that Land y<sup>t</sup> lyes upon East side of y<sup>e</sup> way y<sup>t</sup> goes to Chebaccho, Except about one hundred Rod Upon y<sup>e</sup> South End of Said Land: All y<sup>e</sup> Rest to be sd Knowltons. Bounded East upon Stevens nort upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Allen, except upon y<sup>e</sup> way South upon y<sup>e</sup> Said hundred Rod near y<sup>e</sup> Saw mill: To Have & to Hold y<sup>e</sup> abovesd Land according as it is Butted & bounded we y<sup>e</sup> Proprietours have Sett of to siad Knowlton in vincent's Right in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres. Wee y<sup>e</sup> Subscribers Proprietours of y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres being mett Together This Twenty Third Day of May, An: Dom: 1711, Have Agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Divisions y<sup>t</sup> have been made formerly or of late in y<sup>e</sup> four hundred Acres to Each Proprietour his Part according to his Right Shall be Entered on Record in y<sup>e</sup> town Book according as y<sup>e</sup> Lott ments have been bounded out: And wee do hereby firmlly bind and Oblige our Selves our Heyrs Exec<sup>rs</sup> & Admr<sup>s</sup> to stand by sd Divisions and to Accept of our Lotts according to y<sup>e</sup> Number of Acres from time to time layd out to us According to our Rights, to be our full and Compleat Proportion in Such Divisions, And that this shall be a full & finall & Compleat Settlem<sup>t</sup> y<sup>r</sup> of And Confirmation hereof we have hereunto Affixed our hands and Seals y<sup>e</sup> Day & Date aforesaid

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|---|---|------------------------|---|
| Onicephorus Allen                       | O | Abraham Masters        | O |
| Rob <sup>t</sup> Leach Sen <sup>r</sup> | O | Elizabeth Carter       | O |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Bishop                  | O | Jn <sup>o</sup> Stone  | O |
| Sam <sup>l</sup> Leach                  | O | Sam <sup>l</sup> Allen | O |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Knowlton                | O | John Ley               |   |

357 5/8 Acres Total





[191] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of march 1711-12 thare was a rate made and committed to robbert leach constable of manchester amounting to the sum of 25-17-02 to Defray our town charges and is committed to him to collect and gather forthwith with a warrant thare to annexed whare in he is required to collect sd rate forthwith an to pay out the seaverrall sums set down in sd warrant and to clere with the select men at or before the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of march current

March 25<sup>th</sup> 1712

[192] It reckned with robbert leach cunstable of manchester in the yeare 1711 for the cuntry rate to him committed to collect and gather amounting to the sum of 47-06-00 and thare remains yet Dew to the cuntry 25-12-08 to cleare all accounts for the abovsd rate

reckned with cunstable robberd leach for all town rats to him committed in the year 1711 and all accounts ballanced when he hath answered the Derections in the warrents to him thare with committed and all accounts will be clear except seventeen shillings which we order to m<sup>r</sup> John knowlton in part for fencing

[193] persuant to an order from the town of manchester to enter all common Rights in the town book that any persun has bought of any proprieter in the common land in manchester this is to Signifi that Col: Samuel brown Esq<sup>r</sup> of Salem has three Rights and half in manchester Common land

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| one Right bought of abraham marstes :  | 1713    |
| one Right bought of John bishop        | 1713-14 |
| one Right bought of Robert leach iuner | 1713    |
| to half a Right bought of John knowton | 1713    |

It march the 6<sup>th</sup> 1713-14 then reckned with cunstable John foster for all rats committed to him in the year 1713 and all accounts ballanced in ful John Lee town clark

It at a meting men constable Littlefield pleas to pay out of the over plus of your rats as followeth viz: to Ins. John Ley for

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| maintaining moses bennet   | 03-17-07 |
| and to william hoshum for pen forbee                                     | 00-14-00 |
| and to ben allin for entertain the glossers and the sealectmens expences | 00-06-04 |
| and to yourself for the bed for pen                                      | 00-04-00 |
| and samuell Ley in expence for parambulation                             | 00-10    |

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5-02-09

[193] It Samuel Lee thre common rits that is to say one that he bought of Lieft John knowlton in the year  $17\frac{1}{2}$

It As also one that he bought of capt thomas west in the year  $17\frac{1}{2}$

It as also one half a common rite which he bought of Samuella allin in the year 1708

It as also one half a common rite which he bough of Aron ben-net in the yeare 170 $\frac{7}{8}$  as appears by his deeds for the same

It and to beniamen Allin one half a common rite which he bough of his father Samuella allin in the yeare as appears by his Deed 170 $\frac{5}{8}$

It Jonathan allin one halfe common rite which he bought of his father Samuella allin in the yeare 170 $\frac{5}{8}$

[194] It: Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee Sen<sup>r</sup>: one quarter of a Right bought of Joseph Pickworth: An: Dom: 1692 Allso  $\frac{3}{4}$  w<sup>ch</sup> was his fathers.

It Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee j<sup>r</sup> halfe a Right bought of Lieut Knowlton: An: Dom: 1713-14

It: Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Sen<sup>er</sup> One quarter of a right which was his fathers. It one towne rate made the 27<sup>th</sup> of febery 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  amounting to fifty tow pound and seventeen shilings comited to John Lee iun<sup>r</sup> Constable of Mantchester to gather and pay to the select men or by there order and to pay 22 pound an seventeen shileings at or before the Last Day march: 1716: and the remainder to be payed at or before the: 15<sup>th</sup> Day of may next Insuing 1716

It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of September 1716 thare was a rate made to Defray our town charges amounting to the sum of 80=01=08 and is committed to Jonathan allin constable to collect with a warrant thare to annexed wharein he is required to paye at severall payments the sums thare in set down and to paye in the sum totall of sd rate at or before the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of february next insuing the Date above said

[162] March 29: 1714 At a town meeting legely warned and John knowlton chos moderater mett to gether it was then voted that John knowlton should have the minestry lott in the west Devision the 22 lott About 12 acres in number ajoyning upon Ipswich line and the prsnt Slectemen are empowered to give said knowlton a Deed for said land to said knowlton and resive a Deed of said knowlton of a lott of land of ten acers and five acres which is 15 acrs in all at the same town meting above said March 29 1714: John Knowlton was chos morderater Sam<sup>ll</sup> lee Sam<sup>ll</sup> leach and Beniamen Allen chosen Selecte men for the year insuing at the same







town meting John knowlton chose town Clark Joseph Woodbery  
town tresurer

[163] We y<sup>e</sup> subscribers being select men of Manchester and  
beverly and such as thay have apointed to preambulate y<sup>e</sup> Lien and  
Renew y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwen sd towns viz beverly and manchester  
have accordingly met and Renewed y<sup>e</sup> bounds and preambeleted y<sup>e</sup>  
Lien begining at y<sup>e</sup> mouth of Chubs Creek in y<sup>e</sup> medel thare of  
and thens on y<sup>e</sup> Lien in y<sup>e</sup> medel of y<sup>e</sup> Creek to a Rock in y<sup>e</sup> nor-  
thermost brainch of sd Creek to a rock wheth we renewed thare  
hens to a stump in Leftenents John Balches Land which we re-  
newed ad thens norwasterly to a whit oak stump at plesant pond  
which we Renewed all which is according to the former Settlemnts  
of bounds betwen sd towns in testimony whareof we have sett here  
unto our hands this 26 Day of april anno Domi 1720

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|-----------------|-------|------------------|
| Samuel Balch    | } for | John Lee jr      |
| Robert Woodbury |       | Danniel Williams |
| John Lovet      |       | for Manchester   |

[192] At a meting of the sealectmen of manchester upon the  
12 Day of September 1715 thare is a rate made to Defray our nes-  
sary town charges amounting to the sum of 31-04-03 to be col-  
lected and it is committed to constable John Lee to collect and  
gather forthwith and pay to the sealect men or thare order the sum  
totall of sd rate at or before the tenth Day of october next accord-  
ing to his warrant tharewith committed to him as allso one contry  
rate amounting to the sum of 22-03-07 to be payed to the cuntry  
tresurer

[201] At a town meting legaly warned and met together  
acording to a warent in manchester the fift day of Desember 1715  
Aron bennet chose moderater it is Voted at this meting to have a  
minester to pretch the gospell to us as soone we can conveniently  
in order to a furer setelment and a commete is chosen to look out  
for a minester and seack the advice of our neighboring minesters in  
the towns next to us which are as followeth Mr. Robbert Leach  
sener Samuell lee sener Samuell allin sener Aron bennet william  
hilton John bishop Beniemen Allen thomas pitman Samuell leach  
Robert warin John foster John lee jun<sup>r</sup> & nathaniell marsters which  
commete are hereby fully impowered to mete & agree with a min-  
ester to preach the gospell to us & to give such incorragement to  
him as they can agree for and the above sd commete are impow-  
ered to intreat our neighboring ministers to help us in keeping

afast Day to seke of god a right way for our selves and our children & so pray unto god that he would be pleased to send forth a faithful laborer into this little parte of his vinyard if it be his good plesure and we would intreete the Reverant mr gerrish paster of the Church in wenham the Reverant mr thomas—paster of the Church in beverly the reverant Mr. Wise & the reverant Mr. White to help us as our commetee with you selves can agree on a day (The Committee having invited Mr. Cheever to settle

[200] It At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together on the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1715-16 to chuse town offisers as the Derects John foster moderater for this sd meting

It is voted to chuse our town offisers by holding up the hand

It Aron bennet samuell Lee william hilton sealect men for this yeare insuing

It Jonathan allin cunstable and is sworn

It John Ley sen<sup>r</sup> town clark and is sworn

It samuell Lee Juner town treasurer and is sworn

It phillip nicoals and John allin sen<sup>r</sup> tithing men

It richard Leach robbert Leach sworn and Isack whitter sworn seavayers of highways

It Eliab Littlefield and beniam allen seavayers of fences

It John allin jun<sup>r</sup> mannen Daye Ephram Jons willim Jons and thomas ayers Jun<sup>r</sup> field Drivers and is sworn

It John bishop clark of the markit and John pearce culler of fish

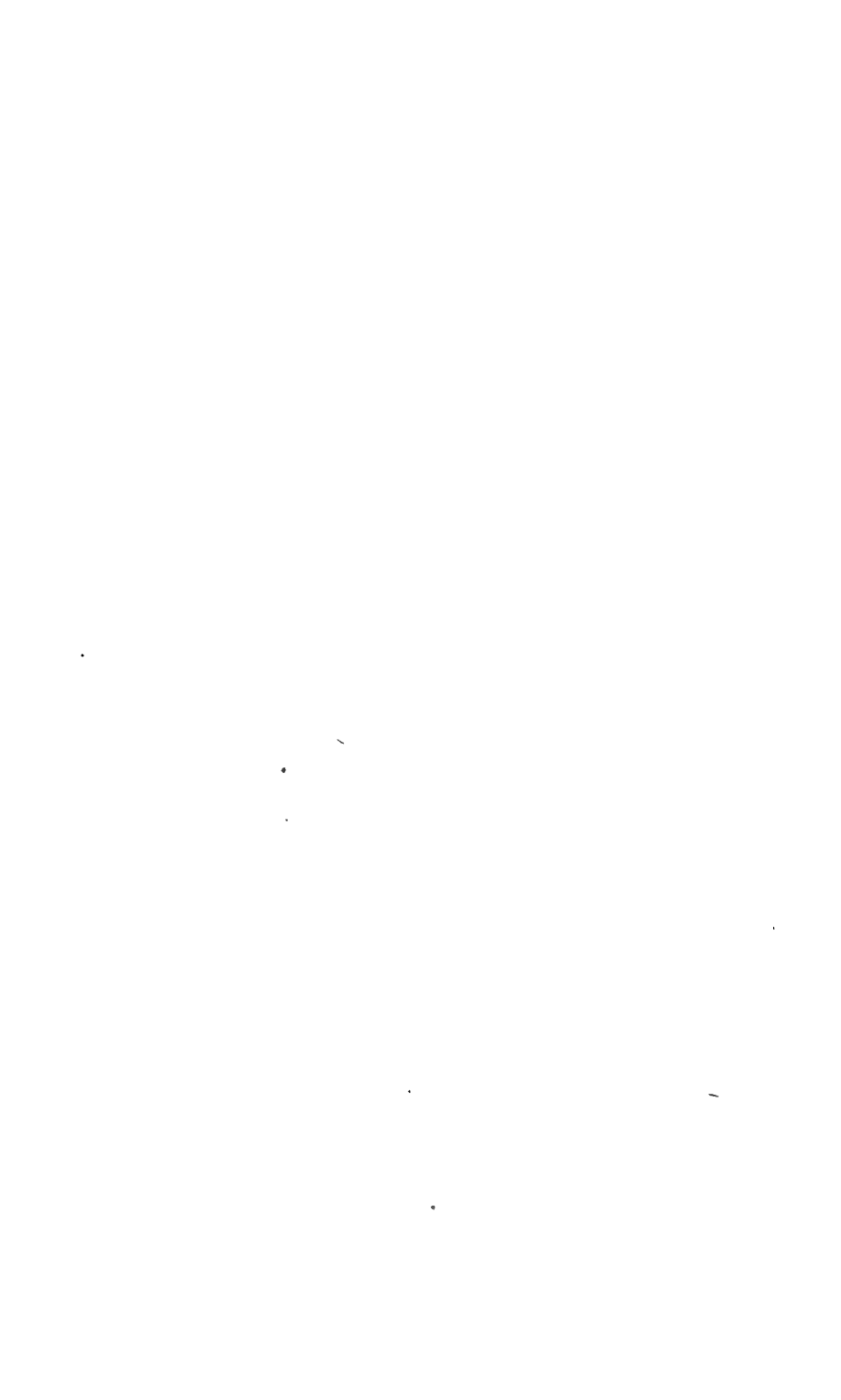
It is voted that the sealect men shall agree with sum men to re-paire the meting hous forthwith

[201] It at a town meting legally warned and mete together in manchester march the :12: 1715 | 6 ; then voted to give to M<sup>r</sup> Amose Chevers Seventy pounds per year Salleray as also our parsonag hous with an accor of land their to belonging if our commetee can agree with him to be our settled minester and to ade more to his Sallery as nede shall require acording to the best of our abillitye

[202] At A town meting legally warned and met togather in Manchester upon the six day of Aprill 1716 Aron bennet chose moderater for this meting and it is voted that our commety now extant to agree with a minester shall have full power to mack a leagel convayance of our parsonage house and one aceor of land their too belonging with all the apurtenances their to belonging to him who shall be our seteled minester acording to our former vote

It at a town meting leagelly warned and mete together upon the





21 : day of May : 1716 Mr Robert Leach moderater Voted to ade to Mr. Ames Chevers Sallary of seventy pounds ten pounds or his firewood yearly At a town meting April : 6 : 1716. we the propriators of the four hundred accors doe for our selves and our heirs Do give up all our rights in that parsall of land that lieth on the west side of the highway that gose to the Saw mill and Joyn- ing to Samuel lees norwesterly and to the old parsangs land and medow Southwesterly to the towns use as a parsonage for ever as witness our hands and this to be entered in our town book as a fairm conveyance as apears under our hands

*Parsonage*

Samuell leach his mark X

Aaron bennet

Robert leach

John allen his mark (+)

Joseph Allen his mark †

Eliab littelfeld his mark &

Danill Williams his mark O

Beniemin Allen his mark g

Jonathan Allen his mark )

Nathll Marstes

John bishop

Richard leach

Onisiphors Allen his mark O,

Entred

Atest John Ley town clarke

[204] At a town meting legally warned and mett together on the 23 Day of July 1716 m<sup>r</sup> Robert Leach morderater it is Voted that our commete now extent shall have full power to agree with Mr. Ames Chevers to be our Setteld minester acording to gos- pale order and to give him a cale to settel with use in the ministry and accept of Ordination

Atest John Ley town clerk

Voted als y<sup>t</sup> w<sup>re</sup> as on y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> day of March last, it was Voted unanimously to call and make choice of the Rev<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Ames Chee- ver to be exercise and perform the office of a Gosple Minister among us & w<sup>re</sup>as it happened this happend thro w<sup>e</sup> ever inadver- tancy y<sup>e</sup> same missed of being entered on records Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Vote is hereby renewed & confirmed & y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chee- ver is hereby unanimously chosen to be our Setled Minister of y<sup>e</sup> Gosple.

We whose names are hereunto Subscribed being a Committee Chosen & Impowered by sd town of Manchester in N. E. to agree & covenant in sd towns behalf with y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Ames Cheever & in sd towns behalf to offer & confirm to him w<sup>t</sup> may be needfull & suitable for y<sup>e</sup> incuragment & support of y<sup>e</sup> sd Mr: Cheever to enable him w<sup>th</sup> comfort & cheerfulness to carry on y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>e</sup> Gosple among us in sd town, y<sup>t</sup> we work to labour in he has been already in a legal Meeting of sd town Unanimously called & made choice of altho as far as yet appears y<sup>e</sup> minutes of sd votes is lost or mislaid or whether inadvertantly was not y<sup>n</sup> entered in y<sup>e</sup> records of sd town

Now being sensible it is our bounden Duty & by y<sup>e</sup> Gosple of our Lord Jesus Christ contended y<sup>t</sup> we who are taught should communicate to him y<sup>t</sup> teacheth us in all good things do so covenant in sd towns behalf as foloweth viz—

We do give grant pass over & fully freely absolutely & forever confirm to y<sup>e</sup> sd Rev. Mr. Ames Cheever his Heirs Executors & Assigns y<sup>e</sup> towns house wherein Mr. Webster lived & a peice of land of sd towns on p<sup>t</sup> of w<sup>re</sup> y<sup>e</sup> house stands reported to be an Acre or Acre & half or y<sup>re</sup> abouts together w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> barn fences trees & all apurtenances & priviledges y<sup>re</sup> to belonging to have & to hold without let or molestation from any of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of sd town forever to be his, his heirs &c in fee simple upon his declaring of his acceptance of our offers to him for settlement amongst us & covenanting w<sup>th</sup> us to do so — we further promise y<sup>t</sup> we will y<sup>n</sup> by him Desired give him a more Ample & Legal executed conveyance y<sup>r</sup> of And we do also in sd towns behalf promise & ingage to pay to him actually both in sickness and in health During y<sup>e</sup> whole time & term of his being our Minister or standing in a pastoral relation to y<sup>e</sup> Church (y<sup>t</sup> may be), by y<sup>e</sup> hands of y<sup>e</sup> town Treasurer or Selectmens order the sum of seventy pounds current passable [205] Money of N: England pr Annum year by year (y<sup>e</sup> salary to commence from y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of last June) and also to give him during y<sup>e</sup> whole of sd term all y<sup>e</sup> money of a free & generous contribution to be upheld by us weekly & every Sabbath — And also grant him y<sup>e</sup> sole improvement to his own behoof, of all y<sup>e</sup> land & marsh in s<sup>d</sup> town y<sup>t</sup> is or shall be called & deemed to be y<sup>e</sup> ministry land or marsh; also to set up & mentain as far as shall be reasonable & Just suitable & convenient fences y<sup>re</sup> upon — And







also to find him annually during s<sup>d</sup> term good & sufficient firewood for his family or for want of performing s<sup>d</sup> Articles about firewood to pay him in leiu thereof ten pounds yearly in like money above mentioned & so to make up his salary to be eighty pounds per annum Likewise we do covenant in behalf of s<sup>d</sup> town y<sup>t</sup> we will as soon as it shall please God to increase our number to be Eighty families y<sup>n</sup> to pay & add to his salary y<sup>e</sup> sum of ten pounds in like specie more y<sup>n</sup> w<sup>t</sup> is herein before advanced — Again to add to his salary & yearly pay him likewise y<sup>e</sup> sum of & yet ten pounds more also at such time as y<sup>e</sup> shall be y<sup>t</sup> Number one hundred & twenty families belonging to y<sup>e</sup> town & congregation making up y<sup>e</sup> full salary one hundred pounds Now in witness & confirmation of all & singular y<sup>e</sup> covenant Articles & causes herein contained we have sett our hands & seals y<sup>s</sup> 23 of July Anno Dom 1716 Rex Re George Second

Signed sealed & Deld. in presence of  
Eliab Littelfield Joseph Allin

of

the mark **R** Robert Leach  
the mark of S Samuel Allen  
the mark of  $\beta$  Beniemen Allen  
John Bishop  
Aaron bennet  
John foster  
Samuell Lee sn +

Atest John Ley town clar<sup>a</sup>

At a Town Meetting legally warned & meet together upon y<sup>e</sup> 4 of Oct. 1716 M<sup>r</sup> Robt. Leach moderater. Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester having seen heard & considered w<sup>t</sup> our Committe Impowered by s<sup>d</sup> town to Covenant & agree w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Ames Cheever in order to his settlement in y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>e</sup> ministry amongst us, have stipulated with him as is now upon Record We do hereby allow approve and confirm y<sup>e</sup> sd Covenant & agreement by them signed with every Article Clause & paragraph y<sup>re</sup> in Contained

Atest John Ley Town Clark

[206] I declare my acceptance of Manchesters offers in order to settlement, covenanting w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup> to do so & accept ordination as soon as may be whilst y<sup>v</sup> are labouring to accomplish w<sup>t</sup> I proposed & y<sup>v</sup> accepted Feb: 16 last past And now promise to live w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> labours of y<sup>e</sup> Gosple while y y continue in its faith &

order yeilding to me all y<sup>e</sup> Honors y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Gospel Demands for y<sup>e</sup> Ambassadors of y<sup>e</sup> Glorious Lord. Brethren pray for Me: Amen

Ames Cheever

Oct: 4: 1716:

It at a town meting Leaguallly warned and met to gather in manchester upon the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of october robbert Leach moderater It and it is voted to keep a Day of fast in the 3<sup>d</sup> weke of october currant to seeke of god for his blessing upon us in order to the ordination of m<sup>r</sup> ames chever to be our settled minister and paster of the church in manchester as soon as may be conveniently which our town at this sd meting requests may be dun and to prosede to the ordination of him in seaven weeks if it may be dun and we request the helpe of and assistance of the Elders in the neiboring churches It and it is voted that the committie here after named shall be given to make sutable provision for the ordanation who are as followeth namely Liet John knowlton Samuella Lee aron bennet beniamen allin thomas pitman and to laye out the mony to the best advantage

[206] It At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together in manchester this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember for choyce of Jurours to sarve at the next corte at Salam John knowlton moderater It is voted that william hupper shall sarve on the grand Jury for the yeare in suing and m<sup>r</sup> thomas pitman and samuella allen Juner on the Jury of tryalls at the corte at Salam (and the sealectmen shall be our assessors for this yeare 1716

[207] At a meting of the propriaters of the common Land in manchester Leaguallly warned and met to gether upon the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of July 1716 Lieft John knowlton moderater It at the same meting it is voted to give to m<sup>r</sup> Ames chever for a paster fifteen accors neere the mill or ten accors in popler plain or Eight accors nere millits bridg which peace he shall chose and a commetee is chosen to Laye out the abovesd peace of Land and to convay the same to him the sd ames chever and his aiers which Commitie are as followeth namely Insign Robbert Leach Lieft John knowlton John bishop John allin Eliab Littlefield if he settle and continue our minister

It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of September 1716 thare is a contry rate made amounting to the sum of 22=05-08 and is committed to Johnathan allin cunstable to collect and gather and pay to the cuntry treasurer 21-08-04 accord-





ing to sd treasurers warrant and the over plus being 17<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> to return to the select men upon Demand

[91] At a meting and sessions of the selectmen and assesers on the twelf Day of febwari in the yere seventeen hundred and seven ten this town Rat was maed orderded to be Cometed to Constable Recerd Leech with a warant to Collect the same for the menestery and for the cuntry use of the town

|                               |          |                        |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| cornal Samuel Brown           | 00-04-00 | John Lee seneer        | 01-08-00 |
| Cap John Knight               | 01-05-06 | thomas Lee             | 00-13-06 |
| Cap John Knolton              | 01-08-00 | Robert worin           | 00-12-00 |
| En <sup>st</sup> Robert Leech | 00-07-00 | shadrach Norten        | 01-02-00 |
| En <sup>st</sup> Aron Bennet  | 02-00-00 | John pears             | 00-13-00 |
| John Knight Junior            | 00-18-06 | Isack wheter           | 00-16-00 |
| William Hooper                | 00-19-06 | thomas Ayers seneer    | 04-00    |
| John foster                   | 00-18-00 | thomas Ayers junier    | 00-07-06 |
| Samuel Allen seneer           | 00-15-06 | John hasum             | 00-09-06 |
| manner Day                    | 00-04-00 | Joseph woodbary        | 00-16-06 |
| John Day                      | 00-08-06 | Joseph woodbary Estat  | 00-12-00 |
| John beshup                   | 00-19-06 | Recerd pearce          | 00-09-06 |
| oisiphory Allen               | 00-00-00 | Matthew Coy            | 00-09-06 |
| John Allen Junior             | 00-13-00 | Danniel willams Estate | 0-02-06  |
| Samuel Leech                  | 01-16-06 | thomas Petman          | 00-16-06 |
| Joseph Leech                  | 00-18-00 | William helton         | 00-16-00 |
| Robert Leech Junior           | 1-08-06  | Samuel Croel           | 00-08-06 |
| Johnnathan Allen              | 00-15-00 | phelep Necels          | 00-16-06 |
| Joseph Allen seneer           | 00-14-00 | Jacob Allen            | 00-08-00 |
| beniamen Allen                | 00-15-00 | Samuel Allen Junier    | 09-06    |
| Nathannel Masters             | 01-02-00 | Samuel woodbary        | 00-14-06 |
| John Escot                    | 00-13-00 | Eliab Lettelfeld       | 00-07-00 |
| John taren                    | 00-11-00 | william hasom          | 00-10-10 |
| John Allen seener             | 00-13-06 | Joseph Allen Junior    | 08-06    |
| Samuel Lee seneer             | 01-03-09 | George wales           | 00-07-00 |
| Samuel Lee Junier             | 01-15-06 | thomas tuexbury        | 00-08-00 |
| Recerd petters                | 00-08-06 | John baer              | 00-08-00 |
| John Lee Junior               | 00-15-09 | John Gelburd           | 00-04-06 |
| Charls Stevens                | 00-08-06 | Abbigel melet          | 00-13-06 |
| Joseph petman                 | 00-08-00 | Rachel Seblee          | 00-02-00 |
| Recerd Leech                  | 01-08-06 | mary norten            | 00-11-06 |
| Ephram Jones                  | 04-00    | Jeremiah heberd        | 00-09-09 |
| Ephram Jones Junior           | 08-00    | Elezebeth bennet       | 02-00    |
| William Jones                 | 00-08-00 |                        |          |

[208] At a town meting Leaguallly warned and met together upon the 26<sup>th</sup> Day march 1717 for choyce of town offisers aron ben-net moderater It is voted to chose town offisers for the year in-suing by holding up the hands It Robbert Jun<sup>r</sup> John Ley sen<sup>r</sup>

and thomas pitman sealect men It John Ley Jun<sup>r</sup> town clark  
sworn

It Richard Leach constable sworn

It Samuell Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> town treasurer

It Robbert warrin John foster beniamen allen savayers of high  
sworn  
wayes It william hilton samuell allen sen<sup>r</sup> tything<sup>e</sup> men It John  
bishop and nathanell masters fence vewers It John allen sen<sup>r</sup>  
John tarrin and thomas ayers and John allin Junier field Drivers  
and thay are sworn It John bishop clark of the market sworn It  
John pearce culler of fish and sworn It and whareas as it was  
formerly voted to give to m<sup>r</sup> Ames chever his firewood or ten  
pounds it is voted that he shall have the ten pounds this year insuing

[194] It at a meting of the sealect men of manchester upon  
the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1717 then reckned with Johnathan allin con-  
stable of manchester as he was cunstable in the yeare 1716 for all  
rats to him commeted and to collect and gather and there remains  
Dew to the town besides what is ordered the sum of eight shillings  
out of the town rate of 80 - 01 - 08 and to the contry to be com-  
mitted thare remains Dew to the cuntry treasurer the sum of 21 -  
08-04

Manchester May the 17 — 1717

[86] A Town meting Legally Warned And met to gather &  
Robert Leech sener was chosen moderrater furstly tes voted in the  
negettive not to send a Reppresentitive 2Ly tes voted at the same  
town meting the select men shall be Assesrs for the yere insuing  
3 et is voted that the barreing place shall be fenst upon the towns  
Cost 4 et is voted that the man that doth not A pere on the furst  
Monday in Juene Next insuing shall be rated three shillings 5Ly  
voted that John Beshop shall be the Clark to take An account of  
y<sup>e</sup> mens Names that Doth work Abought y<sup>e</sup> baring place & Deliver  
the same to the salect men

At A Town meting in Manchester Legally warned And meat to  
gather one the 13 Day of Juene 1717 furstly Cap John Knolton was  
Cosen moderrater 2Ly John Escot is cosen to saveus on the Juri  
of triAles 3Ly Beniamen Allen is Chosen to saveus on the Juri tray  
Als 4Ly tis voted to chues A man to send to the Jennerel Cort with  
the men of the farm of Capten wests of beverly with A petesion in  
order to get them of from beverly 5Ly Cap John Knolton is Chosen  
to go with such Jantel men of Capten wests farm as they shall Apint  
to go to the Jenneral Cort with A petesion for thare geting of from







beverly to us at Manchester And Allso to Rays our formmer pe-  
tession if he thinks it bast

[87] At a meting and sestions of the Selact men and Asesers  
of Manchester on iuly the 15 — 1717 this town Rate was maed and  
Ordered to be Commeted to Constabal Recherd Leech with A war-  
rant to Collect the same for the menester and for the ues of the  
town to Defray the Carges

|                     | £ s s d d |                       |           |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Col Samuel brown    | 00-05-00  | Joseph Leech          | 01-05-00  |
| Ins Aran bennet     | 02-18-00  | Daniel Willams estat  | 00-03-09  |
| beniamen Allen      | 01-04-00  | Joseph petman         | 00-11-06  |
| Charls Stevns       | 00-14-00  | Joseph Woodbery estat | 001-06-06 |
| John baer           | 00-07-00  | Joseph Woodberi       | 00-14-00  |
| Ephram Jons Senier  | 00-07-00  | Isack Whittier        | 01-05-00  |
| Ephram Jons Junier  | 00-11-00  | philip Nickels        | 01-02-06  |
| John Escot          | 00-13-00  | Robert Worin          | 01-01-00  |
| Gorge Walles        | 00-05-06  | Robert Leech senier   | 00-10-00  |
| Manen Day           | 00-07-00  | Robert Leech Junier   | 02-02-00  |
| Nathanell Marsters  | 01-11-00  | Recerd Leech          | 01-18-06  |
| Onisiphors Allen    | 00-00-00  | Recrd petters         | 00-13-00  |
| Cap John Knight     | 01-14-06  | Samuel Leech          | 02-08-00  |
| Cap John Knolton    | 01-16-00  | Samuel Lee Senier     | 01-12-00  |
| John Knight Junier  | 01-01-00  | Samuel Lee Junior     | 02-07-06  |
| John foster         | 01-01-06  | Samuel Croel          | 00-12-00  |
| John bishop         | 01-07-00  | Samuel Allen senier   | 00-19-09  |
| John Day            | 00-11-09  | Samuell Allen junier  | 00-12-06  |
| John Allen senior   | 00-17-00  | Samuel Woodberi       | 00-12-00  |
| John Lee senier     | 01-10-00  | Thomas petman         | 01-01-00  |
| John Lee Junior     | 01-02-00  | Thomas Ayers senier   | 00-07-00  |
| John tarrin         | 00-15-00  | thomas Ayers Junier   | 00-11-00  |
| John Pearce         | 00-19-06  | thomas Lee            | 00-13-06  |
| John horssum        | 00-12-06  | William horssum       | 00-16-00  |
| John Allen sener    | 00-18-06  | William hooper        | 01-01-00  |
| John Gilburd        | 00-04-06  | William helton        | 01-01-00  |
| Recrd pearce        | 00-14-06  | William Jones         | 01-11-00  |
| Joseph Allen Junier | 00-11-06  | William badcock       | 00-12-00  |
| Joseph Allen Senier | 001-00-0  | Shadrack Norten       | 01-12-06  |
| Jacob Allen         | 00-11-06  | Mis Mary Norten       | 00-14-00  |
| Eliab Lettelfeld    | 00-11-00  | mis Abbigel Melet     | 00-16-00  |
| Jehnnahan Allen     | 01-02-00  | mis Rachel Seble      | 00-02-06  |
| Matthew Coy         | 00-13-00  |                       |           |

sum totall of sd rate is sixty pounds  
and eighteen shillings

And this is A true Coppey taken from the Origennel by me

John Lee Junier town Clark

[92] At a meting of the selectmen of manchester on the 15 of July 1717 thare was a town Rate made Amounting to the sum of sixti pound & Eightten Shilings 060-18-0

2ly At a meting of the Selectmen and assesors of manchester on the 25 of September in the yere one thousand and seventeen a mounting to the sum of twenti tow pounds fifteen shilings and a leven pens 022-15-11

3Ly At a meting of the Select men & assesors of Manchester on the twelf of february in the yere one thousand seven hundred and seventeen a mounting to the som of forti fower pounds Eighten £44-18-0

Reene wit Constabal Recerd Lech of Manchester for the Rates Commettd to him in the yere 1717 & thare Remains Due to the town that is not ordered be or a Lowed by the Selet men as yet March the therty first one thousand seven hundred and seven ten Eighten 75-5-5

1717-18

Att a Meeting of the selectmen in Manchester on August 8<sup>th</sup> 1717 theare was a town Rate Lest made amounting to the sum of 41-19-11

[88] At A Meting of the Select — 1717 men of Manchester upon the twentefest Day of September in the yere one thousan — seven hunderd And seventeen This Contre Rate was made A Mounting to twenty pounds

|                     | heads |   | houses And<br>Lands |   | parsonall<br>Estat |   | fackelty |   |
|---------------------|-------|---|---------------------|---|--------------------|---|----------|---|
|                     | s     | d | s                   | d | s                  | d | s        | d |
| Cornal Samuel Brown | 0     | 0 | 2                   | 0 | 0                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| Cap John Knight     | 10    | 0 | 4                   | 0 | 4                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| Cap John Knolten    | 10    | 0 | 2                   | 0 | 1                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| Insi Robert Leech   | 5     | 0 | 0                   | 0 | 0                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| Insi Aron Bennet    | 5     | 0 | 2                   | 0 | 3                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| John Knight Junior  | 5     | 0 | 1                   | 6 | 1                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| Willam hooper       | 5     | 0 | 2                   | 0 | 1                  | 3 | 0        | 0 |
| John foster         | 5     | 0 | 1                   | 4 | 0                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| Samuel Allen seneer | 5     | 0 | 1                   | 0 | 1                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| John Allen Junior   | 5     | 0 | 1                   | 9 | 0                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| Manuel Day          | 2     | 0 | 0                   | 6 | 0                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| John Day            | 5     | 0 | 0                   | 0 | 0                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |
| John Bishop         | 5     | 0 | 3                   | 0 | 2                  | 6 | 0        | 0 |
| Onesiphros Allen    | 0     | 0 | 0                   | 0 | 0                  | 0 | 0        | 0 |





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|---------------------------|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Samuel Leech              | 5  | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Leech Junior       | 5  | 0 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph Leech              | 5  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Johnnathan Allen          | 5  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph Allen Sennier      | 5  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| [89] Biniamen Allen       | 5  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Recherd peters            | 5  | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Nathannel Marsters        | 5  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ephram Jons Seneer        | 2  | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Willam Jons               | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Recherd Leech             | 5  | 0 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Charls Stevens            | 5  | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| John Lee Junior           | 5  | 0 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Lee Junior         | 15 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| John Allen Seenner        | 5  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John torin                | 5  | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Lee seenner        | 5  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John Lee seenner          | 5  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| thomas Lee                | 5  | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Worin              | 5  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Shadrek Norten            | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| <sup>ms</sup> Mary Norten | 0  | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John Pearce               | 5  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Isack Whiter              | 5  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| thomas Ayers seneer       | 2  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| thomas Ayers Junior       | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John horssum              | 5  | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph woodbury Estat     | 0  | 0 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph woodbury           | 5  | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Woodbari           | 5  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mattheue Coy              | 5  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Danniel Williams estat    | 0  | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Phillep Neckels           | 5  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Petman             | 5  | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Willam helton             | 5  | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Allen Junior       | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Croel              | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Recerd pearce             | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Willam Badcock            | 5  | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Jacob Allen               | 5  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

|                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eliab Lettelfeld    | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gorg Wallis         | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John baer           | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| John Gelburd        | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Abigel Mellet       | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rachel Siblee       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph petman       | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph Allen Junior | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

John Lee senior

John Lee Junior  
town Clark

Robert Leech Junior { Select  
Thomas Petman { men

Att a meeting of the Select men in Manch on November 8<sup>th</sup> 1717  
the arewas a Cuntry List made amounting to the sum of  $\pounds 11-15-6^d$

[207] At A town Meting Leaguallly warned And met to gether  
in Manchester Desember the 13 1717 John Lee senior Chosen  
Moderrater for the present Meting 2 ly Aron bennet Chosen to  
sarfe on the grand Juri

3 ly John tarren Chosen to sarf On the Juri of trials

4 ly John hashom Chosen to sarve on the Juri of trials

[92] At a town meting Legally warned and met to Gather on  
March therty furst in the yere one thousand seven hundred and  
Eighten Cap John Knolton was Chosen moderrater for this present  
meting

2 Ly tis Voted to Chuse town ofesers by the Lefting up of the  
hands

3 Ly Cap John Knowlton & Ensin Aron benet John Lee Junier  
Chosen Selectmen 4 Ly Joseph Allen sener. was Chosen Consta-  
bal sworn 5 Ly Samuel Lee iunier town trasuer 6 Ly John Lee  
iunier town clark sworn 7 Ly John pears & Ephram Joanes sen-  
ner titheing men 8 Ly Isack whiter Jeremeah hebard & John Es-  
coct for fens vewers

[93] 9 Ly John bishop Joseph Leech & thomas Ayers iun<sup>r</sup> seva-  
ers of the hie ways 10 Ly willam hilton Recerd peters Cap John  
Knowlton and Aron benet Nathannel Marsters Chowards and feld  
Drivers 11 Ly John bishop Clark of the marcet 12 Recerd Leach  
sealer of Lether 13 John pears Coler of fish

14 ly voted that the selectmen shall be assers 15 Ly tis voted  
the selectmen shale Agre with John beddey for the Ceping mores  
benet for the yere insuing 16 Ly tis voted that John beshup &







Robert Leech iunor shall Join with the selectmen As a Commettey to Looock for a scool mestres 17 Ly tis voted that m<sup>r</sup> Chever shall have ten pound in Lue of the wood 18 Ly voted the selectmen shall a gree with a scool Marster & that every Child sent to the scool master shall pay 5<sup>s</sup> per week 19 Ly voted that the menestry fens shall be mended and made up by a rate and as well the baring place by a rate

At A Legal town meting at manchester the seventent Day of may 1718 to Chues A Representative Capt John Knolton Chosen Moderrater for this presant meting 2 Ly voted in the negettive [94] At a town meting at manchester on the ninth Day of Juen one thousand seven hundred and eighteen 1 Ly John beshup is Chosen moderrater for this present meting 2 Ly Robert Leech Jun<sup>r</sup> is Chosen to sarves on the Juri of triels at salam the next Cort at Salem 3 Ly Cap John Knolten is chosen to sarves on the Juri of trials at the next Cort at salam in Joseph Leeches Rume

at a meting of the Select men of manchester on y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Day of august in y<sup>e</sup> yere seventeen hundred and eighteen thare was a Town Rate maed amounting to the sum of £114-09-04 and Commeted to Constable Joseph Allen to Collect

At a meting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Day of august in y<sup>e</sup> yere one thousand seven hundred & eighteen thare was a Contry Rate maed amounting to y<sup>e</sup> sum of £17-01-10 and Commeted to Constabal Joseph Allen to Collect.

At a town meting at manchester on the 25 Day of Desember 1718 ana Domene and Aron bennet Chosen moderrater for this meting Cap John Knolton Chosen to sarves on y<sup>e</sup> grand Juri Mathew Coy to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Juri of trials at Salam and Joseph Leach to sarves on the Juri of trials at y<sup>e</sup> next inferior Cort at Salam on y<sup>e</sup> larst tuesday of Desember instent

[94] At a town meting Legally warned and mett to gather on the 30 Day of march in the yere seventeen hundred and ninten Samuel Lee sener moderrater and furstly Samuel Lee Junier was Chosen Consttabal 2Ly Samuel Lee senor Recerd Leech & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Selectmen 3Ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> town Clark 4Ly beniamen allen willam huper Jeremiah heberd servayers of the hey wayes 5ly John bishop Johnnathan allen fens vewers 6ly John hascol Samuel Corning Isaack whicher thomas ayers iur feld Drivers 7ly John Gredly nathannel Marsters tittheing men 8Ly Samuel

Allen sen<sup>r</sup> aron bennet nathannel marsters John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> cullers of fish John Lee iu<sup>r</sup> town treasurer 10ly John Bishop Cark of y<sup>e</sup> market 11 Recherd Leech Sealer of Leether 12ly it is voted to pay to m<sup>r</sup> Amos Chever ten pounds instead of his wood yerely 13Ly John Knolton sen<sup>r</sup> Robert Leech senior John beshup was chosen a Commetty to loock after y<sup>e</sup> towns preveleges whare thare are any incrohments 14Ly it is voted that y<sup>e</sup> assesers shall tax y<sup>e</sup> town ninty five pounds for y<sup>e</sup> towns use this yere 15Ly it is voted that y<sup>e</sup> selectmen shall agree with a scool master and that child that goos to scool shall pay 5 shillings a weak

[95] 1719 at a town meting Legally warned and met to gather on the fowerth Day of May one thousand and seven hundred and ninten in order to chues a represenettive John bishop moderrater for y<sup>e</sup> present meting and it is voted in y<sup>e</sup> negettive

[7] Report of the Committee on laying out of Roads

Ware as we the Subscribers were appinted by the town of manchester at a town meting on the eleventh day of Juen 1719 to Lay out high wais for the sd towns ues have accordingly met to gather on the fowerth and fift Days of March in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1722 and Laid out several highways for sd towns use viz. A highway from the meting hous in sd town to and through the breshshe plain and through y<sup>e</sup> Parsneg Lot and through warens and Nortons Lot to the Comon at the head of bennets Plain so caled and bounded it two Rod wide at y<sup>e</sup> est end of the Pasneg Lot and so as the way gose most convenient to the fut of the hill and thare with a smal white pine on the north sid of sd way and so two Rods wide to the meting hous furst mentioned or Landing plase onely at Jno orsments hous on the north side three Rod wid and so towards y<sup>e</sup> sd Breshey plain to the norwest corner of sd orsments land ware the sd wai is two Rod between him and Carters Land and have bounded it on the north side furstly from sd pine at the fut of the hill to a smal whit oak thens to a hep of stons thens to a whit oak in benets Land thens to a wite oak in Carters Land thens to a pech pine in Carters Land thens to a thorn tree thens to a stak and stons thens to orsments bounds thens to a stak and stons by Jabes brey so caled at the loer end of sd plain and all so a highway from sd breshe plain wai turning northly from the lettell to the wasward of sd Jabes brey upin to Mappel swamp so caled or ouldmost way over Nathanel Lees Land a Rod and half wid Every





way and bounded on the norwards of the mellets swam and so on pas back to the menestry bounds and so forth and so by the hill untel we come to the Commons two Rod wide now from yt a stone or rock in bennets land and also a highwai from black Cove to williams Land a Rod and half wid and bounded on the West and north side first with a stak and stons at the corner of heltons swamp thens to a stak and Rocks by y<sup>e</sup> corner of Heltons Garden thens to the cornar of sd heltons wall thens to a stak and stons in Coys Land thens to the Corner of Bennets stone wall thens to the Corner of Letherses Land so caled thens to the Contry Road by willams and Coys stone wall two Rod wide to the Corner of David pressons stone wal by sd rode and allso a highway from sd Contry rode turning northerly and a lettel to the wasten of John Lee iunners barn over sd Lees Land and over Joseph Woodbarrys and Petmans and Dan<sup>el</sup> Willams and John Crowels Land to the Common and to the fut of the 29 or 30<sup>th</sup> Lot and bounded with stak and stons a Rod and half wid and also another high wai turning out of the Contri Rode nere the Casway in Woodbarys Lane so caled up to the sowest end of the Grate hill so caled nere sd Joseph Woodbarys Land and bounded it with a mapel on y<sup>e</sup> west end a bech tree on the est it being a corner bounds of sd Woodbarys land and the south west end of the Common Land laid out for y<sup>e</sup> use of the fishermen and others to cut firewood from and from sd trees to the Country Rode a Rod and half wide and all so another highway from the afore sd high way on the back side of Joseph Woodbarys field to Nathanel Marsters bounds on Glases so Caled to the sow west end of the Comon Land that lieth at the fut of the Lots [8] laid out by the propriettors order in the yere 1701 and the said high wais are Laid out and bounded for the town of manchesters use from hens forth forever

|                                  |                           |   |  |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| note that y <sup>e</sup>         | John foster               | } | Select men of<br>manchester                |
| highway mentiond                 | John Lee Jun <sup>r</sup> |   |  |
| a Rod and $\frac{1}{2}$ wid from | Rechard Leech             |   |  |
| Black Cove to willams Land       |                           |   |  |
| was to be to A rock by           |                           |   |  |
| benets Corner and nere           | Cap John Knolten          | } | Commetty to<br>Joyn with the<br>Select men |
| marsters land on Corner          | Beniamen allen            |   |  |
| and so a Rod wide from           | Aron bennet               |   |  |
| thens to the contry Rode         | John Bishop               |   |  |

[95] 1719 at a town meting Legally warned and met together

on y<sup>e</sup> 11 Day of Juen in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1719 for to Chues Jury men aron bennet Moderrater for this meting 2ly John Knight and John Gredly was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of trayals at salam y<sup>e</sup> Last tuesday of Juen in the 1719

At a town meting Legally warned and met to gather on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of Juen in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1719 aron benet Chosen moderrator for this present meting

*Trusty house or Landings*  
2ly it is voted y<sup>t</sup> thare shall be a commetty Chosen to lay out y<sup>e</sup> menestrey Land from y<sup>e</sup> landing place by y<sup>e</sup> meting hous

3ly Capt John Knowlton thomas petman John beshup beniamen allen aron bennet Chosen to Joyn with y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen to Lay out y<sup>e</sup> hie ways formerly Resarved by y<sup>e</sup> town and to bound them and to make Return to y<sup>e</sup> town book of y<sup>e</sup> bounds

4ly it is voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> hie ways shall be two rod wide where it can be

*719*  
*right way*  
*rod*  
*be*  
5Ly Cap John Knolton John beshup John allen sener aron benet Robert Leech sener is chosen to Lay out y<sup>e</sup> Landing plas from y<sup>e</sup> menestray Land by y<sup>e</sup> meting hous

[96] at a town meting Legally warned and met to gather on y<sup>e</sup> eighteth Day of September in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1719 John Lee Chosen moderrater and 2ly Aron benet and John Allen was chosen Assesors to Join with y<sup>e</sup> selectmen to asses y<sup>e</sup> town y<sup>e</sup> afore said yere 1719

[97] at a meting of the selectmen or assers on the 28 Day of September in the yere 1719 there was a Contry Rate maed amounting to £89—12<sup>d</sup>—8 and Commeted to Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Constabal to Collect & gather

at a meting of y<sup>e</sup> assesors of manchester on y<sup>e</sup> 5 day of October in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1719 thare was a town Rat maed and Commeted to Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Constabal to collect and Gather amounting to y<sup>e</sup> sum of £95—8—6

[96] at a town meting Legally warned and met together on the 22 Day of Desember 1719 beniamen allen moderrater for y<sup>e</sup> present meting thomas petman was Chosen Grand Jury man for y<sup>e</sup> yere insuen and Jeremiah heberd and John Day was chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials at y<sup>e</sup> next inferior Cort at Salem

1719

at a town meting Legally warned and met to gather on y<sup>e</sup> 22 Day of Desember 1719 Robert Leech moderrater for said meting

2ly it was voted and agreed to bueld a new meting hous as fast as it can be Dun.

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*New Meeting House*







3ly it was voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> meting hous shall be buelt 49 fut Long and 35 fut wied and 20 fut stud and allso y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> hous shall be planket and not studed

4ly Samuel Lee seneor aron benet Recerd Leech beniamen allen Jabez Doedg was Chosen a Commettey to sarve in y<sup>e</sup> afore sd matter of buelding a new meting hous

6Ly that y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Commetty Shall tak y<sup>e</sup> subscruption and agree with everi man for his woork or stuef for to bueld y<sup>e</sup> meting hous and to agree with a artefeshal workmen to oversee y<sup>e</sup> workers & to work themselves as Cheep as thay can and when y<sup>e</sup> meting hous is fet for y<sup>e</sup> Congregation to metin and exsepteed at a town meting by y<sup>e</sup> said town then y<sup>e</sup> Commete to Give an account of y<sup>e</sup> Cost of sd hous to y<sup>e</sup> town y<sup>t</sup> so y<sup>e</sup> sets may be stated each set perteckerly

[97] At a meting of y<sup>e</sup> town Legally warned and met to gather on the 28 Day of march in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1720<sup>19</sup> Cap John knolton moderrater and aron bennet John foster and John Lee junior was chosen Selectmen and assesors and willam huper Constabal and Isack whettier and Jeremiah heberd & John harskel sevaers of y<sup>e</sup> fences and Edward Lee and John allen Jun<sup>r</sup> feld Drivers and Recerd peters and John Day and John taring for Constabal or feld Drivers and Danniell willams and Jonnathan allen sevaers of y<sup>e</sup> hiewayes and John allen senior and John pears tithing men and John pears Culer of fish and John beshup Clark of y<sup>e</sup> market and Recerd Leech Seler of lether and it is voted that a Coppi of a warrant naild up against y<sup>e</sup> meting hous feften Days before y<sup>e</sup> sd time of meting and attested by y<sup>e</sup> Constabal to whom it shall be Commeted shall be sefesent warnin for a town meting from time to time and it is voted y<sup>t</sup> the Constabal shall have six pens per pound for collecting y<sup>e</sup> towns raets yerely it is voted y<sup>t</sup> the assesors shall tax y<sup>e</sup> town 90 pounds this yere one thousand seven hundred & twenty it is voted that the selectmen shall be assesors 7ly John Lee Junior chosen town tressuere

at a town meting Legal warned and met to gather on the third day of may anno Dom 1720 John knolton morderrater for this presant meting in order to Chues a representative and it is voted in y<sup>e</sup> negetive

[163] April y<sup>e</sup> 26-1720 we the subscribers being the selectmen of manchester and wenham and such as thay have appointed to preambeplate on the Lien between y<sup>e</sup> two towns aforesd accordingly met on the Day of y<sup>e</sup> Date aforesd and have renewed y<sup>e</sup>

bounds viz the whiet oak marked with W & M and from that to y<sup>e</sup> Letel yalo oak which we renewed and allso y<sup>e</sup> bunch of mapels and y<sup>e</sup> hemlock and y<sup>e</sup> pien and Doedges stump all of which was according to former settelments which we renewed by new marking and laying stons to them that we culd in testimony thare of we have set to our hands y<sup>e</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> Dat abov retten

|                  |   |                |
|------------------|---|----------------|
| John Lee         | } | for manchester |
| Danniel willams  |   |                |
| Beniamen Edwards | } | for wenham     |
| Nathanel walden  |   |                |

We the subscribers being appinted by the selectmen of Gloster and manchester to renew y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwen the towns afore sd accordingly met at y<sup>e</sup> Grat oak tree at y<sup>e</sup> Est end of Grays beach so Caled on y<sup>e</sup> 26 Day of apriel in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1720 and Renewed y<sup>e</sup> bounds betwen y<sup>e</sup> two towns aforesd even all y<sup>e</sup> stated bounds viz y<sup>e</sup> Grate Rad oak at y<sup>e</sup> est end of y<sup>e</sup> bach and y<sup>e</sup> tree Caled Gardners tree and y<sup>e</sup> heep of Rocks all of which we Renewed by new marking or laying ston to them in testimony here of we have set to our hands y<sup>e</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> Date above Retten

|                             |   |                |   |         |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------|---|---------|
| John Knolton for manchester | } | thomas wittham | } | for     |
| Aron bennet                 |   | Ebenzer Davis  |   | Gloster |

[98] At a town meting Leegally warned and met to gather on the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of Juen an Dom 1720 in order to Chues a Representtette Cap Knolton moderrater for y<sup>e</sup> present meting and voted in y<sup>e</sup> nagettive

at a town meting warned and met to gather on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Juen Anno Dom 1720 Capten John Knolton moderrater for this meting and John Lee Senior and Ezekel goodell was chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials at Salam on y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of Juen instant

[105] Bosten Jun 7, 1720 Recd of Mr. Saml. Lee Cons<sup>l</sup> of Manch<sup>r</sup> pr Mr John Knowlton eight pound thirteen shillings & six penc 8 = 13 = 6 in full for my Fath<sup>r</sup> Jer<sup>h</sup> Allen Trea<sup>r</sup> y pr Jas Allen Recd of Saml. Lee jun Con<sup>stl</sup> eighty pounds y<sup>e</sup> whole of my salery for y<sup>e</sup> year 1719 this 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June 1720, I say Recd by me Ames Chever Manch<sup>r</sup> June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1722, then Rec'd of Saml. Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Cons<sup>b</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> year 1719 24 2<sup>d</sup> which with y<sup>e</sup> sum of thirteen pound & 3 d  
£   s   d  
 Recd by me y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> year 1720 makes y<sup>e</sup> sum of 14 = 4 = 5

John Lee Town Treas

[164] At a meting of the selectmen of manchester on the 31<sup>st</sup>





of August in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1720 thare was a Town Rate made and Cometed unto Constabal willam hupper to Collect and Gather amounting to the sum of ninty fouer pound 3 shillings & 3<sup>d</sup> £94 3<sup>s</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>

at a meting of the Selectmen of manchester on the 19 of September in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1720 thare was a Contry Rat maed amounting to y<sup>e</sup> Sum thurteen pound and 12<sup>sh</sup> and was Commeted to Constabal willam hupper to Collect and Gather £13 12 0

[98] at a meting of the propriettors of the new meting house in Manchester on the tent Day of november 1720 Cap John Knowlton moderrater furstly it was voted that John Foster John Bishop Nathanel Marsters John Lee Jn shall be a Commetty to Joyn with the former Commetty to set a pries on the pews and seats in sd meting hous

att a town meting Warned and met to gather on the tenth Day of November 1720 Cap John Knolton moderrater furstly it was voted the bell shall be hanged in the new meting hous 2ly Cap John Knolton Robert Leech seni<sup>or</sup> thomas petman John Bishop John allen senior and John Lee senior was Chosen a Commeti to Despos of our old meting hous viz to sell it as soon and for as much as they Can to him that will give most for it and 3ly that they shall begen to take Down the old meting as soon as they can after the thertenth of november instant 4Ly it was voted that the Commetty shall be accountabel to the propriettors of the old meting hous for what monny they shall sel y<sup>e</sup> sd old meting hous for and the mony to be Desposd of by y<sup>e</sup> mager part of y<sup>e</sup> propriettors at a town meting

[208] At a town meting warned and met together on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1720 John allen senior moderrater furstly John foster was Chosen Grand Jury man 2ly Recerd Leech & John orsment was chosen to sarve on the Jury of trialls

[98] At a town meting warned and met to gather on the fowerth Day of february in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1722 Samuel Lee sen<sup>r</sup> moderrater firstly it was voted that what the Commety had Don Relating to bulding and feneshing the new meting hous in manchester was to the satisfacttion of the town then met and the town has excepted what the sd Commettey has Don from tim to tim about y<sup>e</sup> sd hous 2Ly it was voted the abovesd Commety who are as folloeth aron bennet Recerd Leech beniaman Allen Jabez Ddge and John Knol-

*New Meting House*

ton shall forthwith finnish y<sup>e</sup> new meting hous as the sd Commetty thenk most for the bennefet of the town or propiettors of sd hous and the parsons [99] according to thare purches in sd hous or as neare as can be with Convenenti to thare satisfacttion 3ly it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> pewes and seats set to subscribers or inhabetans of y<sup>e</sup> town of manchester should be intittele to them and thare hiers by a raccord mad and Cept for that perpos and y<sup>e</sup> prise likewise 4Ly it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> money Given by any parson living out of our town of manchester wards the buelding of a new meting hous in manchester should go to wards bulding the pulpet and all pen monny Given should go to wards bulding the menestry pue in our new meting hous in manchester 5ly it was voted that the 12 pounds for the old meting hous aded to old propriettters Siberibtions and the Glas allso

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[99] at a town meting in manchester on the 27 of march 1721 Aron bennet moder Rater for y<sup>e</sup> present meting, and furstly it is voted to Chues selectmen town Clark and tow tresuer by prox

2 ly m<sup>r</sup> prise for County Regester 3 Samuel Lee senior John forster beniamen allen selectmen

4 Joseph woodbury Constabal and sworn

5 John Lee<sup>sw</sup> town tresuer 6 John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Clark & sworn

7 Jeremiah heberd Danniell Willams & Samuel Coring hog reveas 8 Johnnathan allen Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & aron bennet feld drivers 9Ly it is voted that the swine shall go at Larg on y<sup>e</sup> Common provided y<sup>t</sup> they be Renged yoked according to law

10 John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> and William Jons tithing men

11 Matthew Coy John beshup and John haskol fens vewers

12 John allen senior aron bennet & Samuel Lee jun<sup>r</sup> sevaers of hie waise 13 John Beshup Clark of y<sup>e</sup> marcet

14 Samuel allen <sup>sworn</sup> senior and John pearse <sup>sworn</sup> culers of fish

15 Recherd Leech Seler of Lether

16 it was voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen shall be assesors

17 Jabez Doodg was Chos scool master

18 it is voted to leuef y<sup>e</sup> a greing with y<sup>e</sup> scool master to y<sup>e</sup> selectmen and y<sup>t</sup> the selectmen shall not Give him no more than 20 pounds per yere and 19 it is voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> assesers shall asses the town this yere 90-00-00 besides y<sup>e</sup> monny for y<sup>e</sup> scool

[164] At a meting of the selectmen of manchester on the







27<sup>th</sup> Day of march in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1721 then Recned with william hupper Constabal and thare Remains Due to the town for want of his re-saits the sum to ballance accounts y<sup>e</sup> sum of 107-15-9

At a meting of the Selectmen of manchester on the tenth Day of august in the yere 1721 thare was a town Rate made amounting to the sum of ninty five pound fower & <sup>d</sup>3 and Commeted to Con<sup>st</sup> Joseph woodbery to collect 95-4-3

[100] at a town meting Legal warned and met to gather on the 11 Day of may 1721 Cap Knolton moderrater

2 Ly John Knolton John bishop John allen is chosen a commett to Give a Deed of sael to mester Chever of popler pain viz the ten acors formerly Granted to him and allso y<sup>e</sup> acor or acor and half by his hous as it shall be bounded before by y<sup>e</sup> town before y<sup>e</sup> giveing y<sup>e</sup> Deede

3 ly it is voted that m<sup>r</sup> Chever shall have power to make and mend up y<sup>e</sup> menestry fens to y<sup>e</sup> menestry Land South from his own hous and also it is voted y<sup>t</sup> he shall have 5 pound per yere three yeres next following or proportionebel to what it Costs if it Doo not Cost £15-0-0

4 it is voted y<sup>e</sup> select men shall bueld a timber pound on the vendes Cos at y<sup>e</sup> plase where y<sup>e</sup> old pound stood

5 Àron bennet Recerd Leech John bishop was chosen trusttes for to fech y<sup>e</sup> towns money maed y<sup>e</sup> last sestions

6 it was voted and consented y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Contry should make £3000 Recerd Leech was Chosen Sheperd and allso y<sup>t</sup> he shuld have 3<sup>d</sup> per head for old shep

1721 At a town meting on y<sup>e</sup> 22 of may 1721 Capen Knolton moderrater in order to chus a represenative it was voted in the negettiev having y<sup>e</sup> liberti so to do

1721 At a town meting on the 17 of Juen 1721 John Haskol and Samuel Ston Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Jurimen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> 27 of Juen 1721

1721 At a town meting on the 16<sup>th</sup> of august 1721 in order to Chues a representative and voted in the negative

At a meting of the Selectmen of manchester on the 10 Day of august in the yere 1721 thare was a cuntry Rate made amounting to the [164] Sum of <sup>£</sup>13-11-2 and Commeted to Joseph woodbery Constabal to Collect 13-11-2

[218] A coppi of Resaets Boston Aug 16-1721  
 Reseved of willam hupper Consttbal of manchester thurtee  
 pound and 3<sup>d</sup> in full

by Jeremi allen Contry tresurer

Rec<sup>d</sup> of huper Consttbal of Manchester three pounds three shil-  
 lings and 3<sup>d</sup> in full for the County Rate for sd town

Mr John appleton

July 8-1721

Coun Tresuer

[100] 1721 at a town meting at manchester 1721 on the 3<sup>d</sup>  
 Day of november 1721 John Knolton moderrater furstly John  
 bishup and beniamen allen and Recheherd Leech was Chosen trust-  
 tees for sd town to reseve and Let out said manchesters proportion  
 of monny or bells of Credet by the Grat and Jnneral Cort at bost-  
 ten this present yere viz an a Dom 1721

2 ly it was voted that trustees Shall have the 108£ for 5£ per  
 yere the furst 5 yere to Let it out to the inhabettans of said town

3 ly it was voted that the trustees shall Let out the monny to  
 any of the inhabettans but not above ten pound nor under five  
 pounds to any man

4 ly it was voted that the sd monny shall be Cept one month for  
 the inhabettans of manchester and after that to Let it to whom  
 thay shall think fet obsarving the Derection of the Law

5 ly it was voted that the trustees Shall Set up notifications at  
 the meting hous and the tarven so soon as they have Reseved the  
 monny

6 Ly that the trustees Shall Let out the £108 to such men as are  
 qualified according to Law

7 Ly the town meting was adiorned to nin of the Clock in the  
 forenoon on the thurteenth of november instant

November 10 1721

[101] at a meting of the town by an ajornment on the 3<sup>d</sup>  
 Day of november instant and the meting was Desmeste

1721 at a town meting legally warned and met to gather on the  
 18<sup>th</sup> of Desember Cap John Knolton moderrater John Allen Jun  
 was chosen grand Juriman and thomas tuxbury and pol leech to  
 sarve on the Jury of trials

1722 At a town meting Legaly warned and met to gather on the  
 26<sup>th</sup> Day of march in the yere 1722 Cap Knolton moderrater furst-  
 ly John Lee was Chosen town clark and Reherd Leech & John





foster & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Select men and nathanel<sup>SW</sup> masters was Chosen Constabal John<sup>SW</sup> bishop beniamen<sup>SW</sup> allen willam<sup>SW</sup> hupper Jeremiah<sup>SW</sup> hiberd sevaors of hie ways and matthew<sup>SW</sup> Coy Samuel<sup>SW</sup> Allen seni<sup>r</sup> titheing men 6 Ly John<sup>SW</sup> Croel Danl<sup>SW</sup> willams John<sup>SW</sup> bishop Jere-  
 • miah<sup>SW</sup> hiberd sevars of fens and Edward<sup>SW</sup> Lee Ezekel<sup>SW</sup> goodale Ja-  
 bez Dodge hog rewewers John knowlton and Samull allen Cullers  
 of fish John bishop Clark of the marcet Recherd Leach Selear  
 of Lether 12 y<sup>o</sup> Selectmen was chosen assesors and it was voted  
 that the selectmen shall tax the town this yere to defray the towns  
 Charges ninti five pounds 14 ly it was voted that no gees shall be  
 let run at larg on the common 15 ly John foster was chosen scool  
 master & 16 ly it was voted that he shall agree with the father  
 or scoller for his schooling it was Voted and agreed that y<sup>e</sup> plain  
 feld and y<sup>e</sup> nack feld shall be Jennereal felds and that the agre-  
 ments made by y<sup>e</sup> propriettors of sd feld bareing Dat y<sup>e</sup> 7 of  
 april 1721 and the 19 of April 1721 shall be confirmed 17 ly Cap  
 John Knolton Jabez Dodge Ezekel Goodale Edward Lee John Al-  
 len was chosen Common Drivers

[218] March 26 1722

Reseved of Consttabal hupper at severall times Eighty pounds  
 in full for my Salery in the yere 1720

by me Ames Chever

March 19—1722 Reseved of Consttabal hupper in behalf of  
 the town of manchester aleven pounds and — shillings & 2<sup>d</sup> in full  
 for sd town in the yer 1720

John Lee town Tresuer

Manchester march 26—1722

then Recned with Joseph woodbary Constabal for all y<sup>e</sup> Rattes  
 Commeted to the sd Constabal in the yere 1721 and thare Re-  
 maines du to the town for want of his Resaits one hundred and eight  
 pound and fifteen shill and 5<sup>d</sup> wetnes his hand 108—15—05

Joseph<sup>his</sup> O woodbury<sup>mark</sup>

[101] at a town meting legally warned and met to gather on the  
 10<sup>th</sup> Day of may in the yeare 1722 John Lee senior moderrater to  
 chues a representetive and voted in the negettive

At a town meting on the 19 of Juen John bishop moderater  
 Beniamen allen John croel was chosen Jurimen

[102] At a town meting Legally warned and met to gather 11<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember in the yere 1722 John Bishop Moderrater for this meting for to Chues Jurimen and Jabez Doge was Chosen to sarve on the grand Jury and John Knolton jun<sup>r</sup> and Daved Preson was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of trials

|               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Jabez Doge    | { Jury of<br>trials |
| Daved preson  |                     |
| John Knowlton |                     |

[174] Ware as the select men and Commetty Ded Lay out two high wais over Joseph woodburys Land the fift day of March 172 $\frac{3}{2}$  for the town of manchesters use and we the subcribers being impowered by the propriettors at a propriettors meting on the twelf Day of march enstant to pay said Woodbury in Land out of our town Common for said high wais have accordingly met to gather on the Twenti fift Day of march a fore sd and agreed with y<sup>e</sup> sd Joseph Woodbury of our town of manchester and to his full satisfacttion for sd two high wais have Granted & bounded unto sd Joseph woodbury a smal quanetty of our Common Land Lying and being in manchester a fore said viz bounded sutherly by his own Land formerly his father Joseph woodburys and Esterly by Aron benets Land and westerly by Dannel Willems Land or Lot Laid out in the yere 1685 and allso by the south end of petmans Land and Glases Lot so Caled and allso by the fut or south end of Lots Laid out to his father Joseph Woodbury afore sd in the yere anno quie Dommeni 1685 and to the man tree so Caled being the nor-west corner bounds of the afore mentioned farm or Land &c Dated at manchester march the 25 anno Que Dommeni 1723

John foster  
John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Recherd Leech  
Selectmen

At the same time Joseph woodbury to signifi his full satisfacttion Ded set to his hand in presents of Jeremiah Heberd and nathanel marsters

Joseph I woodburys mark

[174] Ware as the Selectmen and Commeti ded Lay out one high way over Nathanel Lees Land on the fowerth Day of march in y<sup>e</sup> yere 172 $\frac{3}{2}$  for the towns use and we the subcribers being impowered by the propriettors at a propriettors meting on the 12<sup>th</sup> of march Instant to pay Said Lee in Land out of our town Common

*from the 1/4 Lee in Common Land for Lane taken for Highway*







for sd high way Have According Ly met to gather on the twentieth Day of march in the yere 172<sup>3</sup> and agreed with sd nathanel Lee of our town of manchester and to his full sattesfaction have Granted and bounded to sd Lee two small peases of Land Liing and being in manchester aforesaid Viz the furst peas of Land settuated on the north side or end of his own Land he bought of M<sup>r</sup> aron bennet and bounded at the sow west Corner at sd Lees west Corner bounds and so west notherly to a popler thens northesterly to a hemlock then to a second hemlock thens to a stump from that to sd Lees plum tree Corner bounds being his north Corner bounds thens sow westerly By said Lees Land to the bounds furst mentioned and secondly another [175] smal peas of Land settuate in new port of sd town and bounded sow westerly by bennets Land northerly by Land formerly Granted to Lathers northeasterly by the high way untel it Comes to sd bennets Land

John foster

John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

Recherd Leech

Select men

*Newport*

[103] At a town meting Legally warned and met John foster moderrater Jonnathan Allen was Chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury and Nathanel Masters and Edward Lee to sarve on the Jury of trials at Salem

at a town meting Legally warned and met y<sup>e</sup> 10 of feb. 1723 John Knolten Moderrater for y<sup>e</sup> sd meting furstly it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> should be taxed ten Pounds yerely fower yers next insuing for the support of a free scool in sd town and no more then ten pounds a yere yerely y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> fower yere to y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> scool which is for all sexes for Reading & Writing Englesh and for sifering that belong to the town of manchester

2Ly it was voted that a scool hous should be buelt forthwith of 24 foot Long 17 foot wide & 7 foot between Joynts

1723  
*School House*

3ly Ezekel Goodael Nathanel Marsters Recherd Leech and John Allen senior was chosen for overseers for to over se the bulding of sd scool hous

4ly it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> scool hous shall be set to the southwerd of y<sup>e</sup> meeting hous

5Ly John Bishop Cap John Knolton & John foster was Chosen to sevey the scool Land and to mesure sd Land and to make Report of the Quantity and Qualetti of sd Land to the town

[166] At a meting of the Selectmen of Manchester the 17 Day of March in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1723 then Recned with John Allen Constable of sd manchester and thare Remand due from said Allen to the town for want of his Resaits from y<sup>e</sup> several tresuers the sum of one Hundred and foreten Pound & sixteen shilling & 7 witnes his hand  
John Allen

At a meting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen of manchester august y<sup>e</sup> 17, 1724 then Recknend with John Lee Junnior y<sup>e</sup> former town treasurer and thare Remains due to y<sup>e</sup> town the sum of one Pound seventeen shillings & 4<sup>d</sup> after alowing him the sum of  $\overset{\text{£}}{2}-\overset{\text{s}}{16}-\overset{\text{d}}{4}$  to his full satisfaction for sarvices as Town Treasurer As witness his hand the day of y<sup>e</sup> date above mentioned  
John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

[103] at a town meting at manchester y<sup>e</sup> 17 Day of March Anno Que Dom 172 $\frac{3}{4}$  John foster was chose moderrater and

2 ly John foster & Jabez Dodge Willam Hupper was chosen selectmen

3 Jabez Dodge was chosen town clark and sworn

4 Jabez Dodge was chosen town treasurer sworn thomas Lee was Chosen Constabal sworn Aron bennet John<sup>SW</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> John Bish & willam<sup>SW</sup> [104] Hupper was chosenes sevars of y<sup>e</sup> high wais

6 ly John Bishop Thomas Ayers & Nathanel Lee was chosen hog reviewers

7 Ly Nathanel<sup>SW</sup> Marsters Jeremiah<sup>SW</sup> Hiberd & Joseph<sup>SW</sup> Allen sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen sevars of fenses

8 Ly Danniell<sup>SW</sup> Williams Edward<sup>SW</sup> Lee and Joseph<sup>SW</sup> Lee was chosen feld Drivers

9 John Haskel<sup>SW</sup> and Danniell<sup>SW</sup> Willams was chosen tithing men

10 it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> select man shall be Assesors 11ly it was voted that the assesors shall tax y<sup>e</sup> town ninti five Pounds to De-fray y<sup>e</sup> town Charges and ten Pounds for y<sup>e</sup> support of the scool &c

[102] 1723 at a town meting Legally warned and met to gather on the twenty fift Day of March in y<sup>e</sup> yere 1723 Cap John Knolton Moderater for sd meting then John foster & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Samuel Lee Junior was chosen select men and 2ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> town Clark 3ly John allen was chosen Constabal 4ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> town tresuer aron Bennet Robert Leech Junior and matthew Coy





was Chosen savars of the high ways 6ly Joseph allen senior and John Knight tithing men 7ly matthew Coy Recerd Leech Jeremiah Heberd sevaers of fenses 8ly Recherd Leech nathanel Lee and Jonnathan Allen feld Drivers 9ly John Haskol and John orsment Joseph woodbery hog reevers 10Ly John Pears samuel allen senior Cullers of fish 11ly John Bishop Clark of the marect 12ly Recerd Leech sealer of Lether 13ly the selectmen shall be assessors 18ly it was voted that the select men or assessors shall tax the town of manchester this yere 1723 ninti five pounds 14Ly nathanel Lee was Chosen Scool master for sd town for to teach y<sup>e</sup> Cheldren to Read English and to writ Englesh 15ly that the select men shall agree sd Lee to Cep y<sup>e</sup> Scoole 16Ly it was voted that the monny the trustees are to pay yerely to the town for y<sup>e</sup> use of the 108<sup>s</sup> pound shall be paid to the town tresuerrr to be Desposd of by the Select men as other town monny or by the town from yere to yere viz the five years which y<sup>e</sup> sd trustees are to have sd monny 17ly it was voted by the trustees Shall have twenti shilings paid them at thare Demand for feching the 108 pound from Boston

[218] March 23—172<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Cradet for Joseph Woodbary by fower Resaits amounting to the sum of one hundred & eight pound & fifteen Shillings & 5<sup>d</sup> viz fustly from the Contry tresuer

|                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 at boston                          | £ 13-00-03     |
| 2 from m <sup>r</sup> ames Chever    | 80-00-0        |
| 3 from y <sup>e</sup> Country tresur | 01-11-8        |
| & from the town tresuer              | 14-03-6        |
|                                      | <hr/> 108-15-5 |

at a meting of the select men y<sup>e</sup> 25 Day of march 1723 then Recned with nathanel Masters Constabal on y<sup>e</sup> account of y<sup>e</sup> Rates Commeted to him in the yere 1722 and thare Remains Due to the town for want of his Resaits the sum of one hundred and sixteen-pound & 18-3<sup>d</sup>

£ 116 18 03

[102] at a town Meting Legaly warned and met together on the thurteenth day of may 1723 in order to chues a Represenative Cap John Knolten moderater and it was voted in the negettive haveing Liberty by Law so to do

at a meting Legaly warned and met together the 17<sup>th</sup> of Juen 1723 John Bishop moderater John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & John Allen sen<sup>r</sup> was chosen Jurimen

[164] Received of Constable Nathaniel Mastus att severall

Payments Eighty Pounds of my Salary for the year 1722, this 18<sup>th</sup> of October 1723.

I say Rec<sup>d</sup>. by me Ames Cheever

Receiv<sup>d</sup> of Nath<sup>l</sup> Mastors Constable of Manchester the sum of two pounds & two sh & 2<sup>d</sup>, in full for the County Rate for sd Town

June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1723, pr John Appleton

County Trese<sup>r</sup>

[8] We the subscribers being Selectmen of manchester and Gloster and such as they have apointed to preemlate y<sup>e</sup> Line and renew the Bounds between the said towns have thes 22<sup>d</sup> day of April 1723 and attended the Said sarvey from the East end of Grays beach at y<sup>e</sup> whit Oak tree from thens to Gardners tree thens to the heap of Rocks which ar according to former settlement Between the two towns Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> William Haskol

Respectively John Haskol Thomas Witham

for Manchester Ebenezer Daves for Gloster

we the subscribers Being Selectmen of manchester and beverly and such as they have apointed to Preambulate the Line and Renew the Bound the sd towns viz beverly and manchester being met together on april 22 day 1723 have accordingly preambulated y<sup>e</sup> line and Renewed the bounds between y<sup>e</sup> sd towns from the mouth of Chubs Creek in the medel thare of norward in the medel of y<sup>e</sup> northard brainch of sd Creek to a Rock in the head of sd Creek and thens norward to a whit oak stump in Lieut John Balches Land and thens norewards to white oak stump at plesant pond all of which are according to former Setteltments between sd towns respectively by

John thorndike

John Corning

paule thorndik

nickles Ober

Robert Woodbery

} for beverly

John Lees Jun<sup>r</sup>

Matthew Coy

for manchester

We the subscribers being selectmen of manchester and wenham and such as they have appinted to preambulate the line and Renew y<sup>e</sup> bounds between the sd towns viz manchester and wenham being met to Gather on thirtieth day of april in the yere 1723 have accordingly pramelated the Line and Renewed the bownds between sd towns begening at the tree markd with W & M. formerly m-w a whit oak but now a whit pine Groing in the Roots or Stump of sd oake thens to a Rad oak tree thens to a clump of mapel stumps







thens to a hemlock thens to a hemlock standing a fut to the eastward of y<sup>e</sup> pine formerly a tree but now a stump thens to Doges stump all of which are according to former settelments betwen sd towns respectivly

|                |              |               |                  |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| Samuel Kellam  | { for Wenham | John Lee Junr | { for manchester |
| Nathanel Brown |              | Matthew Coy   |                  |

[164] Bosten Novem<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1723. Received of John Denison Esq then for the County of Essex by M<sup>r</sup> Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters Constable of Manches<sup>r</sup>. Thirteen Pounds & three pence on acc<sup>t</sup> of an Execution for the said sum £13-0-3 for my Mast<sup>r</sup> Jer: Allen Treas<sup>r</sup>

pr George Rogers.

Manchester March y<sup>e</sup> 18, 172 $\frac{3}{4}$  then Received of Nathanel Marsters one of the former Constables of sd Manchester the sum of Fifteen Pounds five shillings & four pence for ye use of sd Town by me John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Town Treasuer.

[218] March 19<sup>th</sup>, 172 $\frac{3}{4}$  Cr for Nath<sup>l</sup> Masters Cons<sup>l</sup> for Rates by his Receipts Recorded in page 110, the sum of 110-7-9.

[105] Att a Town Meeting Legally warned & met together on y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of May 1724 in order to chose a representative Dea<sup>n</sup> Benja<sup>a</sup> allen Moderator Due Inquiry was Made, & there not being y<sup>e</sup> Number qualified according to y<sup>e</sup> Precept or Law it was voted on y<sup>e</sup> Negative Not to send any person to represent them in any such Court as y<sup>e</sup> sd presept Exprest

Att a Town Meeting Legally warned & met together on the twenty second Day of June, 1724, Cap<sup>t</sup> Knowlton in behalf of Jn<sup>o</sup> Hill was chosen with Will<sup>m</sup> Knights to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials, at y<sup>e</sup> Inferior Court holden at Salem the Last tuesday of this Instant June.

At a Town Meeting Legally warned & met To gether on October 26, 1724 in order to make a compleet settelment of y<sup>t</sup> piece of land by y<sup>e</sup> Meeting house cal'd y<sup>e</sup> landing place. & y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was ajorned to thursday y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of Nov.<sup>r</sup> following also at y<sup>e</sup> same Town Meeting it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> Tn clark sh'd alphabet the Town book upon y<sup>e</sup> Towns cost

At a Town Meeting Legaly warned & met To gether by ajornment from Octo<sup>br</sup> 26, 1724, to Nov<sup>br</sup> 19 following M<sup>r</sup> John Foster chosen Mod<sup>r</sup> for sd Meeting, & it was then & thare fully agreed voted, and a Com<sup>tee</sup> Chosen Namely M<sup>r</sup> John Foster John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Jabez Dodge and also fully Impowered to Join with & Assist the Select Men of manch<sup>r</sup> either to rectifie & settle lots make & renew

*Samuel  
Kellam*

bounds or to act in & on y<sup>e</sup> Town behalf, when, where, & for what the sd selectmen shall find ocation & give order & direction, therefor.

[165] Boston July 22<sup>d</sup> 1724. Received then of M<sup>r</sup> John Allen Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> pr M<sup>r</sup> John Millet Thirteen pounds & three pence in full  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 13-0-3 \end{smallmatrix}$  for my Master Jeremiah Allen Trea<sup>r</sup> pr George Rogers Rec<sup>d</sup> of John Allen Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> the sum of two pounds 12 shillings & 9<sup>d</sup> in full for y<sup>e</sup> County Rate for y<sup>e</sup> sd Town July 13, 1724, for John Appleton County Trea<sup>rr</sup>. paid to y<sup>e</sup> Reve<sup>nd</sup> Mr Ames Chever this 17<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1724; seventy two pounds five shillings as by accompt on my Book written with his own hand may apeare

(218) Aug<sup>t</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1724 John Allen Constable Cred<sup>t</sup> for Rates by his receipts & accompts Recorded in pages 111 amounting to y<sup>e</sup> sum of  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 87-18-03 \end{smallmatrix}$ .

[165] At a meting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1724 there was two Rates made viz The Town Rate amounting to the sum of 108-18-00 Also a County Rate amounting to the sum of  $\begin{smallmatrix} 32-16-00 \end{smallmatrix}$  Amounting in the whole to the total sum of  $\begin{smallmatrix} 141-14-00 \end{smallmatrix}$  and comitted to Cons.<sup>t</sup> Thos Lee to assess gether & pay out, according to order & warrents. given him, from y<sup>e</sup> Country Treas.<sup>r</sup> Selectmen & Town Treas<sup>r</sup> or T. C. by y<sup>e</sup> order Att a Meeting of the Selectmen or Asesers of Manch<sup>r</sup>. Aug<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1725 then by them was two Rates made viz.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| The Town Rate amounting to y <sup>e</sup> sum of                 | 117-2-5  |
| and Country Rate amounting to the sum of                         | $\begin{smallmatrix} 046-8-0 \end{smallmatrix}$  |
| both Rates amounting in the whole to y <sup>e</sup> Total sum of | $\begin{smallmatrix} 163-10-5 \end{smallmatrix}$ |

And Committed to Constable Ezek<sup>ll</sup> Goodale to asses gether & pay acording to order & warrent given him

[167] At a meetting of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen on Aug<sup>t</sup> 17, 1724 then Rekned with John Allen Constable & for want of his Receyts due to y<sup>e</sup> town  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 9-18-3 \end{smallmatrix}$  as witnes his hand John Alen

At a Meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen March 19, 172 $\frac{5}{8}$  then Recned with Tho<sup>e</sup> Lee Constable and for want of his Receipts there Rests due to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> the sum of  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s \\ 108-16 \end{smallmatrix}$   
as witness his hand Thomas Lee Constable

[104] Att a Town Metting Legaly warned & met together on y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>br</sup> 1724 in ord<sup>r</sup> to chose Jurymen John Foster was chosen





Moder<sup>r</sup> for sd Meeting and Jeremiah Hebert was chosen to be on y<sup>e</sup> gran Jury for ensuing year & Rich<sup>d</sup> Coy & John Woodbery was chosen to go on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferior court at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> last Tusday of this instant

[167] Jany 20<sup>th</sup>, 172 $\frac{1}{2}$  Received of John Allen late Cons.<sup>b</sup> eighty pounds ordered him to Discharge my salary for y<sup>e</sup> year 1723. I say Received pr me Ames Chever

A settlement of the Wards of the High ways belonging to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup>. by the Selectmen of Sd Town which is as followeth Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of sd Manch.<sup>r</sup> on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1725. 1ly It was agreed & concluded upon that the first ward shall begin at John Woodberys house and so from thence all the Highways and By ways from sd Woodberys to Thomas Tuksburys house and the sd ways to be mended & Keep in good repair as the Law requires and all the Men and Teems oxen & carts (with all other Instruments and Tools, sutable & nesenary to do the sd work) belong to that end of the Town from, John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> to the sd Woodberys are to, do that work, or service, and the surveyor Nath<sup>l</sup> Masters shall have the charge care & inspection thereof this Insuing year, that is to be timely & faithfully Done as abovesd.

2ly The Second Ward to be ; on the sd Highway or Country Road, beginning, by Tho<sup>s</sup> Tuksburys house, on sd Highway & so from thence to within ten poles on y<sup>e</sup> west side of Old John Lees Orchard ; and then, begining again Att M<sup>r</sup> Chevers Barn & so on y<sup>e</sup> way that leads to Chebacco over Dodges Bridge to the sd Chebacco or Ipswich line and all the Men & teems &c. From Dea<sup>n</sup> Lees on the Northerly side of the old Saw Mill Brook to do that service or work ; And the surveyer John Allen sen<sup>r</sup> shall have the charge care & Inspection thereof this ensuing year that it be timely & faithfully Done as abovesaid 3ly The Third Ward begining on y<sup>e</sup> sd Road or highway ten poles to y<sup>e</sup> westerd of old Jn<sup>s</sup> Lees Orchard, & so, on thence to the Burying place and all the by ways on each side of sd Road, viz from y<sup>e</sup> Meeting House to M<sup>r</sup> Chevers Barn, & from sd Barn Down to the Great Neck and all y<sup>e</sup> Men & teems &c before sd from Benj.<sup>a</sup> Allens house and y<sup>e</sup> Meeting house on y<sup>e</sup> Southerly side of sd ways including the Horshams & Bishops and the Old Neck folks & so down to Gales point to do [168] that service or work and the Surveyer Benj.<sup>a</sup> Allen shall have the Charge care & Inspection of the sd work or service thereof this ensuing year that it be timely & faithfully Done as

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*L. Allen*

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aforesd. 4ly The Fourth Ward begining on the aforesd Road or highway by the Burying place & so on from thence Down to Glos-ter line; and all the Men & teams &c. from Dodges & Marsters house on y<sup>e</sup> northerly side of the way till it comes to the Casaway and from thence all on both sides of the sd way extending to Glorser line to do that Work or service and the Surveyer Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen shall have the Charge care and Inspection thereof this ensuing year that it be timely & faithfully Done as aforesd

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|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| John Foster                     | } | Selectmen of<br>Manchester |
| Benj <sup>a</sup> . B. A. Allen |   |                            |
| John Lee Jun <sup>r</sup>       |   |                            |

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Exchanges  
with S. Lee  
[165] Att a Town Meeting Legally warned & met together on the 25 of January 172 $\frac{1}{2}$  John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Moderator. It was voted & fully agreed, to exchange upon an equal treek that piece of land on the North side of the way, between the Rock & the pound, the Mill brook & y<sup>e</sup> sd way with Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> for his piece of land formerly granted to M<sup>r</sup> Norton, on the South side of the way in the Landing place, The sd piece of land by the pound is to extend from y<sup>e</sup> sd Rock esterly to a stake standing two foot from the westerly side of the sd pound & so square of to y<sup>e</sup> brook And y<sup>e</sup> Present Selectmen are hereby Appointed, ordered & Impowered to give a deed of sd piece of land to the sd Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee & to receive a deed of him of his sd piece in y<sup>e</sup> Landing place; and to make return to the Town of their Doings therein

[166] We the sub<sup>ers</sup> being chosen selectmen for the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> have this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Feb<sup>y</sup> 172 $\frac{1}{2}$  met together and renewed the bounds of the Pasonage lott lying at Kettle Cove on y<sup>e</sup> southerly side of y<sup>e</sup> Country Road or highway, & ajoyning to the sea viz: renewed & bounded as follows the northeast corner bounds a White pine markd with 4 marks with stones about it, thence westerly eighteen poles to a stake with stones standing in or near the former pitch pine by the sede Road, thence southerly by Rich<sup>d</sup> Leaches lott to a pitch pine marked with 4 marks with stones about it, by and near the bank of the sea, thence by the sd bank of the sea 14 poles & four foot to another Pitch pine marked with 4 marks with stones about it, thence Northerly by the Allens lott to the bounds first mentioned, Also a way laid out from the sd Country Road, begining at the sd stake with stones standing by the sd road, being the bounds of sd pasonage lott, & so thence bounding upon the heads of the lotts & so along down to the White Beach, land-







ing place or Cove, sd way is laid out & so to be kept one pole & half wide from y<sup>e</sup> sd Road to the sd Beach or Cove */ 1/2 rd.*

John Foster      )  
Jabez Dodge      )      Selectmen of  
                                 manchester

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This is a true return      Attest

Jabez Dodge Town Clerk

on March 7<sup>th</sup> 1725

[170] Att a Meeting of the Selectmen (chosen for y<sup>e</sup> year 1725, then Rec<sup>d</sup>ed with Constable Ezek<sup>l</sup> Goodell and there rests Due from y<sup>e</sup> sd Goodell to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> for want of his Receipts from y<sup>e</sup> severall treas<sup>rs</sup> & receivers, the sum of one hundred sixty three pounds ten shillings and five pence as witness his hand this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1723

Ezekell Gooell

[104] Att a Town Metting for the choice of Town officers, Legally warned & met together on the 22<sup>d</sup>, Day of March 172<sup>4</sup><sub>5</sub> John Foster Mod<sup>r</sup>, firstly it was voted that M<sup>r</sup> John Foster, Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> should be the selectmen or the ensuing year. 2ly Jabez Dodge Town Clerk. 3ly Ezekiel Goodale Constable 4ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee town Treasur John Allen, Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen, Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters & Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen, Surveyers of highways 6ly John Foster John Hill, & Edward Lee hog-reveu<sup>r</sup>. 7ly John Bishop and John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. survey<sup>rs</sup>, of Fences 8Ly Jonath<sup>n</sup> Allen, John Hill and Edward Lee & John Woodbery Field Drivers 9Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> & Sam<sup>l</sup> Stone Tithing men 10Ly John Tarren sealer of leather 11Ly John Bishop Clerk of y<sup>e</sup> Market 12Ly the selectmen to settle wards of the highways and to give a list of the men and teams, belonging to each ward to the survey<sup>r</sup> thereof 13ly the present Select men to be the Assesers 14ly the Assesers to Tax the Town 110 pounds; viz 80 pounds for y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers salery 10 pounds for the school & 20 pounds to Defray other Town charges

[9] Att a metting of the proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> undevided Land in Manch<sup>r</sup> in New England being legally warnd & mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of March Anno Dom 1725 John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Mod<sup>r</sup>, then upon consideration of a demand made by Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee jun<sup>r</sup>. of five acres of land; & three Acres of land to be laid out to him y<sup>e</sup> sd Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee jun<sup>r</sup> in the Right of Jno. Crowell, which five Acres & three

Acres of land was agreed upon & granted by sd proprietors to be laid out to y<sup>e</sup> Right of Jno. Crow<sup>n</sup>. as well as to other Comon<sup>rs</sup>. rights in y<sup>e</sup> year 1685 Referring to y<sup>e</sup> sd Town Records may more fully Appear and altho' it be very provivable y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd five Acres & y<sup>e</sup> 3 acres have been already laid out yet in as much as y<sup>e</sup> Com<sup>tee</sup> have made no return of their so doing so that there is no Record thereof to be found in y<sup>e</sup> sd Town Records of its being laid out to y<sup>e</sup> sd Jno. Crow<sup>n</sup> or any other person : therefore it remains to be done whereas y<sup>e</sup> sd John Lee jun<sup>r</sup> have purchased the sd five acres and the three acres of land whether laid out or not laid out as by lawfull Deeds of sale, may Appear therfore it was at the above sd time and place agreed on & voted by the mager part of the proprietors or intrest then present, that the sd Jno. Lee jun<sup>r</sup> shall have the five acres of land ajoyning to y<sup>e</sup> westard of y<sup>e</sup> land he bought of Daniel Williams bounded as follows viz. at y<sup>e</sup> north corner of y<sup>e</sup> land he y<sup>e</sup> sd Lee bought of Dan<sup>n</sup> Will<sup>ms</sup> thense north untill it comes within two Rod of y<sup>e</sup> foot of y<sup>e</sup> lotts laid out in y<sup>e</sup> year 1706 thense west leaving two Rods be y<sup>e</sup> foots of sd lotts untill it comes within two Rods of Nath<sup>n</sup> Marsters land, thence southerly by sd Marsters land leaving two Rod or more to a Spring at y<sup>e</sup> going down of y<sup>e</sup> hill by the easterly side of y<sup>e</sup> path in y<sup>e</sup> little Brook, thence easterly to y<sup>e</sup> sd John Lees, Land att such a distance from y<sup>e</sup> aforementioned lines as will include five acres. 2<sup>d</sup>ly it was voted and agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd three Acres be laid out to sd Lee in y<sup>e</sup> Right of y<sup>e</sup> sd John Crow<sup>n</sup> where it was formerly supposed to be laid out & bounded as it is bounded in y<sup>e</sup> sd John Lees jun<sup>r</sup> Deed.

Attest

Jabez Dodge Town Clerk

[90] Att a town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> & Legally Warned & met to gether on May 11<sup>th</sup> 1725 in order to chose a Representative & it was voted in the negative not to send any to Represent the sd Town having not y<sup>e</sup> Number of Freeholders y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Law Requers

[96] Att a Town metting legally warned & met together June 14, 1725, Benj<sup>a</sup> allen Mod<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgen chose to serve on the Jury of Tryals at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> last tuesday of this Instant

[207] Att a Town Meeting Legally warned & Mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1725, M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Moderator voted that the Ministry lott caled the Millet swamp-lot should be fenc'd with a legal stone wall as far as y<sup>e</sup> upland goes, & the rest with a good sufficient fence, that is to say all the fencing properly be-





longing to sd lott, & to be made & Done by a rate or tax on the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> to defray the charge thereof, and a Com<sup>tee</sup> chose to manage and compleat y<sup>e</sup> sd work who are y<sup>e</sup> present select-men Namly M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Foster Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen & Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> and the sd Com<sup>tee</sup> to compleat sd work by the first of Ap<sup>l</sup> Next ensuing the date hereof also voted a Com<sup>tee</sup> namly M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen Jn<sup>o</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> are to Inquire into & tak accompt of y<sup>e</sup> Rev M<sup>r</sup> Chevers grivences, Also to tak Accompt of y<sup>e</sup> towns grivences & to offer them to & lay them before the Town at a Town meeting by adjournment from Munday twelfth of June to tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of this instant at one of the clock in the Afternoon, to which this present Meeting is Adjourned.

[168] Manch<sup>r</sup> June 28<sup>th</sup> 1725 Then Received of Constable Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters Six pounds ten Shillings & six pence for y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manch<sup>r</sup>

I say Received by me Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

[169] Att a Town Meeting Legally warned & Mett together on July 20<sup>th</sup> 1725 by adjournment, M<sup>r</sup> Aron Bennet Mod<sup>r</sup> it was then voted & agreed & concluded that the piece of land given by the Town of Manchester to the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever, in the Covenant cal'd an Acre or an Acre & half for his house Lott where sd house stands to bound the sd piece of land as the wall & fencing round about it now stands it viz on y<sup>e</sup> esterly side by y<sup>e</sup> highway as the stone wall & board fence now stand, Southerly by the Towns land cal'd the Pasonage land as the Cross wall now stands, Westerly & Norwest by Dea<sup>n</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lees land as the stone wall now stands Northerly by the Common land as the fence or stone wall now stands to y<sup>e</sup> highway or bounds first mentioned. And the Com<sup>tee</sup> (chose Appointed & Impowered by the sd Town at a Town Meeting on May 11, 1721. namely Capt. John Knowlton John Bishop & John Allen, to give a Deed of the sd piece of land with y<sup>e</sup> housing thereon) are now further directed and ordered without any further delay to give the sd M<sup>r</sup> Chever, a Legall conveyance of the sd piece of land & Towns housing standing thereon according to the directions herein given It was also voted upon M<sup>r</sup> Chevers quitting any right or claim to what was voted him for making Ministry fence, on May 11, 1723. that the sd Bill that M<sup>r</sup> Chever has brought in upon the Town for making & mending stone wall & other fencing to & about the Passonage land, should

be paid to him out of y<sup>e</sup> Towns stock by y<sup>e</sup> hand of the Town Treas<sup>r</sup>. According to the sd Accompt which is as followeth

|     |   |    |     |                |
|-----|---|----|-----|----------------|
| For | making Nine poles & a half of stone wall by the Town Pound          |    |     |                |
|     | one half of y <sup>e</sup> Cross wall viz 6 poles at 5 <sup>s</sup> | 5. | 14. | 0 <sup>d</sup> |
|     | making a rail fence from y <sup>e</sup> sd pound                    | 1. | 10. | 0              |
|     | to the Crick & finding stuf to do it with                           |    | 10. | 0              |
|     | poles bought & put on ye Ministry land wall                         |    | 04. | 0              |
|     | amounting in the whole to y <sup>e</sup> sum of                     | 7. | 18. | 0              |

Aug<sup>t</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1725 Then Received of Constable

[168] M<sup>r</sup> John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> on the accompt of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> two pounds & three shillings & three pence I say Rec<sup>d</sup> by me

Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

Town Trea<sup>r</sup>

[104] Att a town Meeting Legaly warn'd & Met to gether on Dec<sup>br</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>, 1725 in order to Chose a County Register, & also to chose Jury men M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Mod<sup>r</sup>. 1 ly voted that M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup>. Maston shold be County Register 2 Ly John Knight on y<sup>e</sup> Gran Jury 3 ly Nath<sup>l</sup> Lee and Rob<sup>t</sup> Knowlten on y<sup>e</sup> Jueri trials

[105] At a Town meeting Legaly warn'd & meet to gather on march 7<sup>th</sup> 1725-6 Sam<sup>el</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> moder<sup>tr</sup> s chose for Select men 1 ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit & Nath<sup>l</sup> Masturs 2 for constable Jabez Dodge 3 ly for Town Clerk Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> 4 ly the rest Chose by hand vote & 5 ly Chose as town Treas<sup>r</sup> John foster 6 ly Chose as suvayers of fences Sam<sup>l</sup> allen sen<sup>r</sup> Richard Leach & Daniel Williams 7 ly for surveyers of highways the 1<sup>st</sup> ward John Woodbury 2 ward Edward Lee 3<sup>d</sup> ward Robt Leach 4<sup>th</sup> ward Sam<sup>l</sup> Ston 8 Ly as field Drivers William Badcock [106] Robert Knowlton Thomas Hayrs Gorge Burours 9 ly as tything men Rich<sup>d</sup> Coy & John Bishop 10 Ly seler of lether John Tarrin 11 ly Clerk of the market John Bishope 12 ly the Assers the selectmen for the year insuing to be assesers 13 ly To tax the town 90 pounds for the Reven<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever & 10. To the school & 10 £ to Defray Town Charge Voted to these persons following namely Beniamen Allen John Bishop Richard Leach Jonathan Allen Jer<sup>h</sup> Heberd John Crowell Jabez Dodge John osment Eze-







kiel Gooale Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Shardeak Norten a spot 50 foot front right of the pint on the landing to builde a whorf to be to them there heirs & Assigns for ever they yealding & paying to the sd Town of Mancl<sup>tr</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sum of 5<sup>s</sup> per year yearly for 20 years Except at y<sup>e</sup> expiration of y<sup>e</sup> term of 20 years the sd town shall see cause to redem the spot with all the buildings at the Just cost & charges which y<sup>e</sup> sd undertackers have expend din Building & Repairing the sd Wharf & buldings on it

[209] We the subscribers being appinted by the select men of manchester & Gloster for to premlate the line & Renew the bounds between the above sade towns have atended & prformed s<sup>d</sup> sarves from the wite oak tree at Gras beach & he bouns betwext s<sup>d</sup> towns thenc to Gardners tree & thence to the heps of Rocks which bound are acording to former setelment we have renewed the bounds as the law Derects this 26 day of april | 1726

for manchester

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

Richard Leach

for Gloster

Joseph Aallen

Nathaniel Ellery

We the subscribers being appoynted by our respective towns beverly & manchester to preambulate & renew the bounds betwene the s<sup>d</sup> towns have accordingly mett on April y<sup>e</sup> 26-1726 and have Renewed said bounds as foleteth Viz beginning at the mout of Chubs Crick and so Nothwards in the midel of the nothern Branch of saide Crick to a rock att the head of sd Crick & thence northward to a white oak stump in Leu<sup>tt</sup> John Batcher his land being a Ranging bounds & thence northward to a white oak stump at pleasant pond all which Bounds we have Renewed being According to the former settelment & prambelations made by our sd towns

Richard Coye { for  
Daniel willams { Manchester

John Ober  
nathanill Baker  
Richard Thislle  
John Elut

for

Beverly

[209] We these Subscribers being met to gather according to notification on the line between manchester & wenham on the 26 Day of april 1726 to premlate on s<sup>d</sup> line and Renew bounds and we have renewed s<sup>d</sup> bounds between s<sup>d</sup> towns as formly as witness our hands the yeare and Day above said

Richard Coye { for Nathaniel Brown { for  
Daniel williams { Manchester William Dodge { Wenham

[210] firstly we began att the W tree which we found blowen up by the roots which stump we marked & a white burch with W so nigh we can Judged 2 neare to Seder swamp we came to Grate Rock neare to a white oake marked about eighteen inches threw 3 we came to the hep of Rocks & theare Renewed our bounds y<sup>e</sup> 3 Day 1727

Thomas Burnam S<sup>r</sup>  
& Thomas Burman J<sup>r</sup>  
for Ipswich

Aaron Bennet &  
John Bishop  
Ezekel Goodale  
for manch<sup>r</sup>

[171] Recd. this 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1726 of M<sup>r</sup> Ezekial Goodale Constable for y<sup>e</sup> year 1725 Eighty pounds of my salary for y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> year 1725 I say Reseved by me in provence Bills

Ames Cheever

Boston 22<sup>th</sup> of June 1726

Reseved of M<sup>r</sup> Ezekel Goodale of Manchester forty three pounds eight shillings & four pence in full Atorney

6 Mar<sup>th</sup>

Jer<sup>a</sup> Allen hed  
C P Tersers

Reseved of Ezekel Goodale Constable manch<sup>r</sup> the sum of forty two shillings & 2 pence in full for the Coun<sup>ts</sup> of Rate for y<sup>e</sup> sd Town Ipewech May 5-1726

p<sup>r</sup> John Appleton County Tresse<sup>r</sup>

Reseved this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1726-7 of Ezekel Goodale Constable of manch<sup>r</sup> in yeare 1725 the sum of thirty seven pounds 19<sup>s</sup> 11<sup>d</sup> in full for Rates by me

John foster town Tresuer

£ s d  
7-19-11

Recd att severl payments of Constable Jabez Dodgee ninty pounds in provence Bills being y<sup>e</sup> part of my Covenanted Sallary for y<sup>e</sup> yeare 1726 w<sup>c</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Select men ordered him to pay Rec<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 29 of March 1727 I say by me

Ames Chever

Recd of Jabez Dodge of manch<sup>r</sup> Constable the sum of Twenty nine shillings in full for the sd tax assesed upon y<sup>e</sup> sd town

Ipswich July 28-1727

p<sup>r</sup> John Appleton Treasurer

Bostown August 17-1727

Recd of M<sup>r</sup> Jabez Dodge Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sum of thirty





nine pounds seventeen shillings & five pence in full for my Father  
Jer<sup>a</sup> allen Tres<sup>r</sup>

pr Jer<sup>a</sup> allen Jun<sup>r</sup>

£ s d  
39-17-8

[106] Att a Town meeting Legally warned & met to gather on y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1726 in order to Chouse a representative Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> Chose moderater Due Inquiry was made & thare not being y<sup>e</sup> number qualified according to y<sup>e</sup> pessept or Law it was voted in y<sup>e</sup> negative not to send any person to represent them in any such Court as y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> presept Exprest

At a town Meeting Legally warned & Met to gather on y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1726 in order to Chuse Juray men Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen moder<sup>r</sup> for s<sup>d</sup> meting 2 ly was Chosen Daniel Knight & Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> to sarve on the Jury of triells at y<sup>e</sup> inferiry Cort to be holden at Sallam on the last tusday of this Instant June

[168] Att a meting of the Select men on aug<sup>t</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1726 there was a town Rate List made amounting to the sum of 108-9 and also a Rate List for the Country amounting to y<sup>e</sup> sum of £54-3 and both y<sup>e</sup> sd Lists Comitted to Jabez Dodge Constable to asses & Gether & pay acording to order & warent given him

[106] At a town Meeting legally warned & met to gather on y<sup>e</sup> 19 Day of Decem<sup>br</sup> 1726 in order to Chuse Jury men Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> was chosen moder<sup>r</sup> for s<sup>d</sup> meting 2 ly was Chosen John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> to sarve on the Grand jury for the year insuing & Israel Foster & benj<sup>a</sup> woodbery to sarve on the jury of triells at y<sup>e</sup> inferear cort to be holden at Sallam on the last tusday of this instant

[170] On March 6<sup>th</sup> 1726-7 Att a Meeting of the Select men chosen for y<sup>e</sup> year 1726 then Reckned with Constable Jabez Dodge & theare Rests Due from y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Dodge to the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> for want of his Receipts from y<sup>e</sup> Severell Treas<sup>r</sup> & Recevers the sum of one hundred sixty twoo pounds & thurten shillings 172<sup>s</sup>

[107] Att a Town Meeting in manchester Legally warned & Met to gather on March 7<sup>th</sup> 1726-7 furstly was Chosen M<sup>r</sup> Aron Bennet sen<sup>r</sup> moderater by vote 2 was Chosen Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> & aron Benet sen<sup>r</sup> & John Foster for Select men for the year insuing 3 was Chose Richard Coy for Constable for the yeare insuing 4 Was chose Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> for Town Clerk for the year insuing 5 ly was voted that the Rest of the town ofesers shall be chose by a hand vote 6 was John Foster Chose for Town Tres<sup>r</sup> 7 Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen

sen<sup>r</sup> Willam Hooper<sup>s</sup> Willam Badcock<sup>s</sup> for sevuar of Fences 8 for  
 servairs of highways 1 ward Willam Badcock<sup>s</sup> 2 Ward Ezekel  
 Goodale<sup>s</sup> 3 ward Jonathan Allen<sup>s</sup> 4 ward John weber<sup>s</sup> for feld Driv-  
 ers John Lee<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Mergen<sup>s</sup> 10 for tithing men  
 Danel Preson Robrt Herck<sup>s</sup> 11 Clark of the Market John Bishop  
 sen<sup>r</sup> 12 Seler of Lether John Terren 13 for Assessers & over-  
 seers of the Poore Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Aaron Benett John Foster the above  
 menshened select men 14 to Tax the Town £90 pounds for the  
 Rv<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for his salery for the yeare insuing & 10 pounds  
 for the Scole acording to former vote & £30 pounds to Defray  
 all nesery town charges 15<sup>ly</sup> voted that the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever  
 shall have Given to him £ 10 pounds out of the town stock in con-  
 sideration of his extrodnery carge to be in & for this years extrod-  
 nery charge 16 that philip nicklous hous & Land shall be sold as  
 soone as may be by the present selectmen as the Law Directs to  
 Defray the cost & charge of his mantance

17<sup>ly</sup> that £10 pounds formly voted for the use of the schole shall  
 be paide by the select men for that use to the schole Dame or mas-  
 ter as it is called for to Defray the charge of the schole

[108] Att a town Meeting in Manchester Legely warned Met  
 on May 8<sup>th</sup> 1727 in order to chous a Representative Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup>  
 was Chose Modrater Dew Inquiry was mad & theare not being  
 the number qualified according to the presept or the Law it was  
 Voted in the negetive not to send any person to Represent us in  
 any such Court as y<sup>e</sup> sd presept exprest 2 ly Benj<sup>a</sup> allen sen<sup>r</sup> John  
 Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen for a Commety to treet with  
 our Rev<sup>ne</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever & to know of him where he will provide us  
 a Choole or not & if he refuses to provide for us any Longer allso  
 to Racken with him for all his disbursments for the sport of a  
 schoole & to bring the A count to the town at the a jornment 3 ly  
 the present meeting was ajorned to 5 of the clock in the four  
 noone y<sup>e</sup> 9 of may instant

Att a town meeting in manchester by an ajornment from the 8<sup>th</sup>  
 day of may to the 9<sup>th</sup> of may 1 ly it was voted & a Greed upon that  
 our Rev m<sup>r</sup> Chever shall take care & provide shutable schooling for  
 our Childring & youths for this year insuing according as the town &  
 the subcribers have a Greed to in times past Conserving a schoole  
 2 ly it was voted that Benj<sup>a</sup> allen sen<sup>r</sup> John Lee jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee







Jun<sup>r</sup> shall be a Commety to advise with & Give thare advice to our Rev<sup>n</sup> Mr<sup>r</sup> Chever in the choice & Setelment of sutable schooling for the childring & youths of the town of manch<sup>r</sup> 3 ly was chose nathanel Masturs & John Bishop shall be hog reves for the year insuing

At a town meting in manchester Legely warned met on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June 1727 in order to choose Jury men 1 ly was Chosen m<sup>r</sup> John foster for moderater for sd meting 2 ly George Buros & Thomas Lee to sarve on the Jury of trials on the last tusday of June instant

[172] Att a Meeting of the select men in Manchester on August 8<sup>th</sup>-1727 thare was a town Rate List made amountin to the sum of £41-19-11

Oct<sup>br</sup> 16-1727

Recd then of Cons<sup>ble</sup> Jabez Dodge the full sum of thirty one pounds eleven shillings & eight pence in full of what was Due from him to y<sup>e</sup> town of Manch<sup>r</sup> I say Rec<sup>d</sup> pr Me

John Foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

At a meting of the Selectmen in manch<sup>r</sup> on November 8<sup>th</sup> 1727 theare was a Cuntry Rate List made amounting to the sum of

£11-15-6

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen March 6-1727 Then Rackened with Constable Richard Coy & there Rests Due from y<sup>e</sup> sd Richard Coy to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> for want of his Receipts from y<sup>e</sup> several Tres<sup>rs</sup> & recvers the sum of one hundred & fifty three pound fifteen shillings & five pence as witnes his hand this 6<sup>th</sup> of march 1727 Richard Coye

At a Meeting of the Selectmen in Manch<sup>r</sup> on July 22<sup>d</sup> 1728 there was a menstry Rate List made amounting to y<sup>e</sup> sum £99-18 & also a Town Rate List made amounting to th sum of 80-8 & Committed to Constable Jeremiah hiberd to colect & Gather & pay in as he shall Reseve Warrant & Direction from the Assessers of sd Town

At a Meeting of the assessers of the town of Manchester on August 27-1728 there was a Country Rate List made amounting to the sum of  $\overset{\pounds}{22}-\overset{s}{11}-\overset{d}{7}$  & Committed to Constable Jeremiah Hibert to Colect & pay in as he shall Reseve warant from the Country Tres<sup>r</sup> 93-19-3

[109] Novem<sup>br</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>-1727 At a Town Meeting Legely warned & met to Gether in order to Chuse a Repesintive to Represent us in a Grate & Genrale Court of asembly 1ly was chosen M<sup>r</sup> John

Foster modreater for s<sup>d</sup> meting 2ly it was Voted not to send any person to Represent us in a Grate & General Court at Bostoun to be convened & and cept for his maj<sup>st</sup> ser<sup>vc</sup> as haveing Liberty by Law so to Du

At a Town meting in Manchster Legely wonned & meet to Gether on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1727 in order to Chuse Jurey men fustly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster was Cosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly John Osment was chose to sarve on the gran Jury for y<sup>e</sup> yeare insuing 3ly was Cosen willam Badcock & Jesiah Allen to Sarve on the Jury of triles at the next infeaer Cort to be holden at Sallam on the Last tusday of this insttant Desember

At a Town Meeting Legely worned & met to Gether in manch<sup>r</sup> on the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of Decem<sup>r</sup> 1727 in order to Dispose of the money that belonging to s<sup>d</sup> manchester in our trusts hands furstly was chosen Cp<sup>t</sup> John Knolten moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly it was voted that the trusts formly chosen & have had y<sup>e</sup> money that was set to s<sup>d</sup> town by the Grate and Generl Court at bostown shall have s<sup>d</sup> money or bills of Cradet the holl term of time set & prfeses by sd Court s<sup>d</sup> trusts paying in to the town Tres<sup>r</sup> one 5 part yearly of the s<sup>d</sup> prisnsable sum of 108 & the intrest for the same from the furst 5 years tel they shall have paid in the hol sum yearly at the rate of 5 a poke the hundred pounds

Att a Town Meeting I Manch<sup>r</sup> Legely warned & Meet to gather on March 7<sup>th</sup>—1727 furstly it was Voted to Chuse a Moderater by a hand Vote 2Ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen modrater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 3<sup>th</sup>Ly John Foster & Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & thomas Lees slectmen 4<sup>th</sup>Ly was Chose Jeremiah Hiberd for Constable 5<sup>th</sup>Ly Chosen Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> for town Clerk [110] 6Ly it was Voated to Chuse the rest of the town Ofecers by a hand Voat 7<sup>th</sup>Ly was Chose the afore menched select Men to be assessors for the year insuing 8Ly Nathaniel Masturs for a Severe of hig ways to nuport & Jabez Dodge for a Sevuare of the high way that Lead to Jebacker & John bishop for a sevuir of the Midel ward & John Knight for a sevair of the high way that Leads to Gloster 9Ly for titheng Men John Allen s<sup>r</sup> & Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen 10Ly for sevairs of fences aron Bennet s<sup>r</sup> & Benj<sup>a</sup> allen s<sup>r</sup> 11Ly John Bishop for Clark of the market 12Ly John Woodbury for Sealer of Lether 13ly Joseph Wood-





bury<sup>s</sup> Robert Herik & abraham<sup>s</sup> Masturs for howards 14Ly for hog  
reeves was Chosen Richard Coy<sup>s</sup> & Richard Leach & Jonathan Allen<sup>s</sup>  
& Willam hooper for one year insuing 15Ly that hogs & swine  
shall Go at Large this year insuing being yoked & Ringed as the  
Law Directs 16Ly John Foster<sup>s</sup> for Towne Tresurer 17Ly it whas a  
Greed uppon & Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessers shall Tax the Town £90  
for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for his Salery y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 18Ly  
the assessers shall Tax the Town £60 money for the surport of the  
poor & Defraye all Nesery town Charges 19Ly it was Voted that  
they should Tax the Town £20 for the suport of a free schole in  
Manch<sup>r</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 20Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee s<sup>r</sup> & John Allen s<sup>r</sup> John  
Knight Aaron Bennet Richard Coy shall be a Commity to agree  
with the School master or masters

Att a Town Meeteing in Manch<sup>r</sup> Legely warned & met to Gather  
on aprel 15-1728 in order to Consider of & to a Gree uppon  
wether we will or will not except of our part & prposhon of the  
sexty thousand pounds of Bills of Cradet made by the Grat &  
Genarl Cort assembled at Bostown for these towns of our prove-  
nence that will Except them & if we a gree &c Reseve it also to  
Chuse trusttes to reseve & Let the same according to the Directions  
in Law in that Cas made & provided

1Ly M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> all s<sup>r</sup> chosen modrater for this present Meeting

2Ly it was a Greed to & voted to Reseve our part of 60 thou-  
sand pounds 3Ly it was a Greaed to & voted that Cpt John Knol-  
ten<sup>s</sup> [111] M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet<sup>s</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Masturs shall be Trusttes for  
the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> to Reseve our per poshon of y<sup>e</sup> sixty thousand  
pounds & to Let out the same to the inhabitance of s<sup>d</sup> Town at the  
Rate of six pr sent pr anum 4Ly it was Voted that y<sup>e</sup> above s<sup>d</sup>  
Trusttees shall pay in to the Selectmen or hom they shall apoynt  
both prinsable & intrest according to the Law in that Case made  
& provided 5Ly it was voted & a Greed a pone by both partes  
that s<sup>d</sup> Trustes shall have 30<sup>s</sup> pr year yearly for sd sarves for the  
hol time exprest in y<sup>e</sup> Law in that Case made & provided

Att a town meeting Legaly warned & met to gather on the 6<sup>th</sup>  
Day of may 1728 in order to Chuse a Representitive 1Ly Cpt John  
Knolten was chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting Du inquirey was  
made & there not being the number qualefied according to Law it

was voted in y<sup>e</sup> negative not to send any person to Represent us in any such Court as s<sup>d</sup> prsept Exprest

Att a town meeting Legely warned & met to gather in manchester on June 17<sup>th</sup>—1728 in order to Chuse Jury men fustly M<sup>r</sup> John Bishop was Chosen moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly Rob<sup>t</sup> Herek & John Weeber was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of trils at the infearer Court to be holden at Salam for the County of Essex on the Last tusday of this instant June

Att a town meeting Leagely warned and meat to Gather on the 25<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>m</sup>—1728 1ly it was voted that M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Benet to sarve modrater for that meeting 2ly it was voted that Nath<sup>l</sup> Masturs to sarve on the Grand Jury 3ly voted foster and Ezekel Goodale to sarve on the Jury of trials at the next inferear Cort at Sallam

Manch<sup>r</sup> Feby 24—1728

[173] Att a meeting of the Selectmen chosen for the year 1728 Then Rackned with Constable Jeremiah Hibord & there Rest Dew from sd Hibord to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> for want of his several Recpts from the several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Reverers the sum one hundred & ninty three pounds nineteen shilling & 3<sup>d</sup> as witnes his hand the Day & year above Riten

Jeremiah hiberd

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Constable Richard Coy Ninty pounds in Provence Bills my orded salary for the yeare 1727 this 12 of March 1727<sup>7</sup>

I say Rec<sup>d</sup> by me Ames Cheever Boston Aprill 4, 1728

Rec<sup>d</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy Constable of Manchester Eleven pounds fifteen shillings & sixpence in full for my father Jer<sup>m</sup> allen Trea<sup>r</sup> pr Jer<sup>m</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Rich<sup>d</sup> Coy of Manchester the sum of two pounds eight shillings & in full for y<sup>e</sup> Contry Rate March 30—1728 p John Appleton County Tres<sup>r</sup>

Rec<sup>d</sup> this twelft Day of June 1728 of Richard Coy Constable of Manchester for Ravagese of Rates the full sum in full of fifty pounds 17<sup>s</sup>—8<sup>d</sup> by me John foster

Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

of Manchester

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Jeremiah Hibert Constable of Manch Ninty pounds part of my Covanted Salary for the year 1728 & y<sup>e</sup> whole y<sup>t</sup> Selectmen ordered him to pay Rec<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 10 of nov 1729 by me Ames Chever Nov 3<sup>th</sup> 1729 Rec<sup>d</sup> of Cuns<sup>t</sup> Jere<sup>h</sup> Hibert tweneety one







pound sixteen shillings in money in full for the Cuntry tax in the year 1728 & thirty shillings & 6<sup>d</sup> the Cost of anexequshons for the same by reason of the Returns of the Constable name miscarring to the Country Tres<sup>r</sup> miscarring pr me John foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup> June 22-1730 Rec<sup>d</sup> of Jere Hibert Constable of manch<sup>r</sup> the full & Just sum of eighty two pounds three shillings & 3<sup>d</sup> money Collected for sd town by me John foster

Town Treasurer

[112] Att a Town Meeting in manch<sup>r</sup> for the Choice of Town Officers Legaly warned & Meet together on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1728<sup>g</sup> firstly Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee s<sup>r</sup> chosen Modrater for sd meeting 2ly it was Voted to Chuse towne offecers by prockses 3 Ly it was Voted that the Select Men or assesors shall have 4<sup>s</sup> pr Day & No more the time that they are a Making of the Rate Lists or Taxes for sd Town 4 Ly John Foster Nath<sup>ll</sup> Masturs Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> for select Men for the year insuing 5 ly John Woodbury for to sarve a Constable 6 ly Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> to sarve as town Clerk 7ly John foster was Chosen for a Town Tres<sup>r</sup> 8 Ly it was Voted to Chuse all other Town offecers by a hand Vote 9ly it was Voted that the above named Select Men shall be assers for the year insuing 10Ly it was voted to Chuse 2 men for assers to joyne with the Select Men to asses the abovsd Town 11Ly willam Hooper & Richerd Leach to Joyne with the Slect Men to asest them in assesing sd 12 Ly Sam<sup>ll</sup> allen s<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup> Mergin John osment Joseph Woodbury for Suvyr of highways 13 Ly Richard Coy & John weber tithen Men 14Ly Chosen Edward Lee & Robert hearck for severers of fences 15 Ly M<sup>r</sup> Aron Bennet & Ezekel Goodale was Chose for hounds & feald Drivers 16Ly voted that all swine may Go at Large well yoked & Ringed in the nose as the Law Directs 17Ly was Chosen John Bishop s<sup>r</sup> & Gorge Crose John Knight s<sup>r</sup> & willam Badcock for hog Reves 18Ly Was Chosen John Bishop s<sup>r</sup> Clerk of the mark 19Ly was Chosen John Tarrin for sealer of Lether 20 Ly voted that Sam<sup>ll</sup> Allen s<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Benet & Nath<sup>ll</sup> Marsturs & Ezekel Goodal shall be for Cullurs of fish 21Ly it was Vote that the Town Shall be Taxed 90 for the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers salry for the year insuing 22Ly Voted 20 for the suport of a Chole or Schols in manch<sup>r</sup> the year insuing 23Ly Voted

that M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Benet Richard Coy & John Knight shall be a Comety to provide sutable scholing for children in manch<sup>r</sup> as lon a time [113] as the £20 above voted for that use will Defray the Charge thereof 24Ly it was Voted to Give £10 to the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever for to make up to him his salary £100 for the year 1729 25Ly it was Voted to Tax the Town £20 to Defray all nesery Town charges 25Ly it was Voted that the present Select men shall provide a Desant burying Cloth at the Charge of y<sup>e</sup> town 26Ly it was Voted to Let out that parsal of Land that was formerly Granted & Laid out & bounded for use of a Chole in manch<sup>r</sup> ten years 27Ly it was voted that M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen M<sup>r</sup> John Bishop & M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet shall be a Commity to Let out the above sd schole Land to that person or persons that will Give most for the same the hire to be implyed to mak a Good Stone wall around sd Land as far as the hire will Defray the charge therof 28Ly it was Voted to Lay out a highway to Ipswich Line where it will be most Convenient to Go to Jebacker & that the present Selectmen shall be a Commity to Lay out sd highway

[176] We the subscribers being appoynted & impowered by our Respective Towns to prambelate between the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> & Whenham accordingly have met on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of aprill 1729 & have Renewed the bounds formerly mentioned beginning at a tree marked W & M formly a wite oake but now a whit pine Groing in the stump or Rots of sd oake thense to a red oak & thence to a Clump of mapel stumps with sum sprouts in sd stump thence to a hemblock tre thence to a hemblock standing 2 feet to the Estord of the pine formerly a tree but now a stump thence to Dodges stump as witnes our hands

|              |   |     |   |                         |   |         |
|--------------|---|-----|---|-------------------------|---|---------|
| Richard Coy  | { | for | { | Nat <sup>l</sup> Waldon | { | for     |
| Natl Masturs |   |     |   | Willam Dodge            |   |         |
|              |   |     |   | Matthew Coy             |   |         |
|              |   |     |   |                         |   | Whenham |

Whe the subscribers being appoynted by our Respective towns to pramblate one the Line & renew the Bounds between our sd towns vise Manchester & Beverly accordingly have met on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1729 & have prambleated & renewed the bounds foletly begining at the moth of Chubs Crick east thence northely in the midel of the Crick the northmost branch thereof to a Rock at the head of sd Crick with stons about it apone it near John woodburys hous from sd Rock northely to a white oake stump in Leu<sup>t</sup> John Basches Land [177] With stons about it & thence northely

to white oake stump at plesant pond with stones about it all which is according to former prambulations betwext sd towns

|                           |   |     |                       |
|---------------------------|---|-----|-----------------------|
| Na <sup>tl</sup> Marsturs | } | for | Robert Haskol         |
| Richard Coy               |   |     | Jonathan woodbury     |
|                           |   |     | John Ober for Beverly |

[175] At a Town Meeting legally warned & met to Gather on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of march 1728 John forster Nat<sup>l</sup> Masturs & Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee jun<sup>r</sup> being the Selectmen for the year insuing was apoynted to Lay out a highway to Ipswich Line the Directest way to go to Jebacker & accordingly have performed the sarves on april 3 1729 & Laid out the high way begining at Ipswic Line bounded the furst a Stake with stons about it thence to Rock with stons apone it before you com to the bridge thence to a dead hamblock marked neare the bridge thence to a grate hamblock near the top of the hill thence to a small black Burch on the top of the hill marked & stones about it thence about 8 rods to a small hamblock marked & stones about it, thence to a small black burch & stones aboute it near the pond aGoing Down the hill thence to a small maple marked & stones about near the run of water thence to a pine stump with stons about it agoing Down the hill about 20 Rods from sd maple thence to a small black burch near the botom of the hill marked as the way now go will best aloew thence to stake & stones aboute it to the nored of the broock thence to a small hamblack marked standing to the westard of the Broock thence as the way now gos as will be most Conveanent tell it Coms to Co<sup>l</sup> Browns Lot one Rod & half wide the hd of sd way to be to the westard of the afore menchend Bounds

|                                       |   |         |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------|
| John foster                           | } | Commity |
| Na <sup>th</sup> Masturs              |   |         |
| Sam <sup>l</sup> Lee jun <sup>r</sup> |   |         |

[176] We hous nams are under Riten being the Selectmen of the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> & the Town of Gloster have met on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of april in year 1729 at the white oake stump at the est end of Grays Beach & have pramblated & Renewed the bounds betwixt our sd Towns according to former setelments

|                                       |   |     |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----|
| John foster                           | } | for |
| Sam <sup>l</sup> Lee jun <sup>r</sup> |   |     |
| }                                     |   |     |
| Epes Sergent                          | } | for |
| Joseph Allen                          |   |     |
| }                                     |   |     |
| Gloster                               |   |     |

[113] Att a Town meting Leagely warned & met to Gather on 30 Day of June 1729 in order to Chuse Jury men 1 ly Richard Coy

was Chos modarter for sd Meting 2Ly John Bishop S<sup>r</sup> & Abrham Masturs was Chose to sarve on the Jury of trials the nex inferer Court to be held at Sallam on the 2 tusday of July next

[180] Att a meeting of the Selectmen & assessors of Manch<sup>r</sup> August 20<sup>th</sup> 1729 there was a Town Rate List made amounting to the sum of £45-00-<sup>s</sup>5 & Committed to M<sup>r</sup> John Woodbury Constable to Colect & Gather & pay in according as he shall Receve warrant & direction from the assessors of s<sup>d</sup> Town

At a meeting of the Selectmen of manch<sup>r</sup> on 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1729 that ware Chosen for the year 1729 then Rackened with Constable John Woodbury & there Rests Dew from the s<sup>d</sup> Woodbury to the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> for want of his Recpts from the Several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recvers the sum of one hundred sixty six pounds Eighteen shillings & Eleven pence as Witnes his hand

John Woodbery

Novem 8<sup>th</sup> 1729

Att a meting of the selectmen & assessors of manchester there was a Cuntry Rate List made amounting to the sum of £25-18-<sup>s</sup>6 & Committed to M<sup>r</sup> John Woodbury Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> to Colect & pay in according as he shall Recve warant & Direction from the province Treas<sup>r</sup>

[181] the selectmens orders in pr Tickeler for the year 1729 furstly to the Reve<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Amas Cheavr £100 to the Cuntry Tr<sup>s</sup> £21-18-6 & also £45-00-5-0

[113] at a Town Meeting Leagely warned & met to Gather on the 22<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1729 in order to Chouse Jurymen & a trustee 1Ly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet was chosen modrater for sd Meeting 2Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen to sarve Gran Jury man for the year insuing 3Ly John Carter & Ezekel Knowlten s<sup>r</sup> was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of trials at the next infearer Cort to be holden at Salam 4Ly Jabez Dodge was Chosen trustee to sarve in the roome & Head of Capt John Knowlton who was formerly Chosen to the office & trust [114] Att Town Meating in Manch<sup>r</sup> on March 11<sup>th</sup> 1729-30 Legely Warned & Meet to gather in order to Chouse Town Ofisers to sarve sd Town for the year in suing

furstly M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Chosen Modrater for sd Meeting

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 2Ly Chosen for Selectmen for the year insuing | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{John Foster} \\ \text{Saml Lee junr} \\ \text{Richard Coy} \end{array} \right.$ |
|   |   |
|   |   |





3Ly Chosen for Town Clerk Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup> jun<sup>r</sup>

4Ly Chosen for Cunstable John Hill<sup>s</sup>

5Ly it was Voted to Chus all the Rest of the town ofecers by a hand vote

6Ly Chosen for Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

John foster<sup>s</sup>

7 Ly Chosen survayrs of highways

{ Richard Coy<sup>s</sup>  
Richard Leach<sup>s</sup>  
Robert Herrick<sup>s</sup>  
Willam Hooper<sup>s</sup>

8Ly Chosen survayrs of fences

{ Jonathan allen<sup>s</sup>  
Na<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup>  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen<sup>s</sup>

9Ly Chosen for hog Reves

{ Jeremiah hibert<sup>s</sup>  
Benj allen s<sup>r</sup>  
Edward Lee<sup>s</sup>  
Richard Coy<sup>s</sup>

[114] 10Ly chosen for howards

{ Willam Badcock<sup>s</sup>  
Richard Peters<sup>s</sup>  
Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup>

11Ly Voted that all hogs shall go at Large provided that they are according to Law 12Ly chosen tithen men { Robert Knolton<sup>s</sup>  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup>

13Ly Chosen Seler of Lether John woodbury<sup>s</sup>

14Ly Cosen Clerk of the market John Bishop s<sup>r</sup>

15Ly Chosen assers the select Men a bove Chosen 16Ly Voted that the Select Men shall have 4<sup>s</sup> pr Day for there sarves on Towns Bisnes 17Ly Vothed that the former select 20<sup>s</sup> for to help to De-fray the Charge of an exequshon Comming on them for the Cuntry Tax 18 Voted to Give the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Amos Chever for his salery for the year in suing one hundred & twenty pounds M<sup>r</sup> Chever Re-lesing all his Right & intrest in the free Contrabushon & mins-try Land Lying by millets swamp so Caled in manch<sup>r</sup> 19 Voted that every person that pay there preposhen of sd sum by a Contru-bushon every Lords Day Righting his name on the same if he will

& shall have Cradet for the same 20Ly Voted that the minstry Rate of <sup>£</sup>120 shall be in a List by itself 21Ly Voted that the assers shall ases ever man according to his intrest in the Meeting house as other estate 22Ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Parepint forty five pounds for him to keep a free schole in manch<sup>r</sup> for one year insuing 23Ly Voted that the presant select men shall be a Commity to a gree with M<sup>r</sup> parepoynt to keep a free schole in manch<sup>r</sup> for one year insuing 24 that sd assers shall asses the town for 45 pounds for a schole

[115] 25Ly Voted that the assers shall ases sd Town 20 pounds to Defray all nesery town Charges 26 Voted Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> shall Recive take & Keepan a count of the contrebushon weekly & shall have <sup>s</sup>20 for that sarves for the year insuing 27 Voted that no Balos or stons shall transported out of Citel Cove on the penalty of <sup>s</sup>20 pr stone pr time

Att a Town Meeting Legely warned & met to gather on 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1730 in order to chuse a Reperesentive furstly M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy was Chosen Modrater for sd Meeteng 2Ly it was Voted not to send any person to Represent us in the Grate and Genaral Court as haveing the Leberty by Law so to Dew 3Ly it is a Greed & Voted for the town to be at the hole of Making of a stone wall betwix John allen jr. Land & the Towns buryng plase sd allen giveing 6 feet of Land to sd Town the hole Length of his Land as far as he Joyns on sd buryng plase for the use of a buryng plase 4Ly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet John foster Jeremiah Hibert Robert Her-rick chosen & apinted a Commity for to Make or cause to be made a stone wall of 4 feet 6 inches high on a Good founddshon of a sutable thienes 5Ly Voted that sd Commity shall have 7<sup>s</sup> pr Rod for bulding the aforesd stone wall when the same is finished & all completed 6Ly it was agree to fishing & Complet sd wall at or before the 20 Day of June next insuing the Date here of

[181] Sept 11-1730 Rec<sup>d</sup> of Cunstable John Woodbury by y<sup>e</sup> hand of Nathanel Marsturs at several payments one hundred pounds in province Bills on y<sup>e</sup> a Count of My Salary for y<sup>e</sup> year 1729 I say Rec<sup>d</sup> by me Ames Cheaver

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1730 there was a Country Rate List made amounting to the sum of £22-11-6 & committed to Cunstable John — Colect [180] & Gather & pay into the Provins Tres<sup>r</sup> twenty one pounds sixteen shillings & to the Town Treas<sup>r</sup> fifteen shillings & 6<sup>d</sup> the wich is in full of the sum total







[181] Dec 28-1730 then Rec<sup>d</sup> of Constable John Woodbury forty five pounds & 5<sup>d</sup> in full of his Colection ordered to me I say Rec<sup>d</sup> by me John Foster Town Trasuer

[115] Att a town meeting warned & met together on the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec. 1730 in order to Chuse Jure men to sarve at y<sup>e</sup> Jeneral sesshons of the pese to be holden at Sallam on the Last tusday of Dec. Instant furstly Natha<sup>n</sup> Marsturs Chose modrater for sd meting 2Ly Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgen was Chose to sarve on the Grand Jury 3ly Jacob Foster & Jonathan harsham was Chose to sarve on the Jury of trials

At a Town meting Legely warned & met to Gather on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of Jane<sup>r</sup> 1730-31 in order to Chuse a Repesentive to sarve for & Reperesent us in a Grate & Genaral Court to be holden at boston furstly m<sup>r</sup> Aaron Benet was Chosen moderater [116] For sd meting 2Ly it was Voted in the negetive not to send any person to Reperesant us in maner & form as is by the presept exprest as haveing the Leberyty by Law so to Dew 3ly it was a Greed & Voted that the menestry Land ajoyning to millets swamp in manch<sup>r</sup> shall be fensed with a good fens a Cording to Law 4Ly Lev<sup>t</sup> Bennet John Foster thomas Lee was chose for a Commity to imploy men & teems to make a Good Stone wall all Round sd Land where it can be made & in the swamp a Good hedge or Rale fens as they shall think Best for the town of manch<sup>r</sup> advantige & to com pleate & finish sd fens by the fiftenth Day of April next & also to be paid all there Just Demans at the finshing of said fens by the sd Town & to Reseve the same out of the town stock by an order from the Select men to the Teres<sup>r</sup> all that is a bove menched a Bout sd fens a Greed to & Voted at sd metting

Att a town meeting Legaly warned & met to Gather on the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1730-31 in order to Chuse town Oficers to sarve this Town for the year insuing furstly was Chosen M<sup>r</sup> John Foster moderator for sd meetting 2Ly chose for Select Men

{ M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet<sup>s</sup>  
M<sup>r</sup> John Foster<sup>s</sup>  
M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup>

3ly Chose town Clerk Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee jun<sup>r</sup>

4Ly Chose Cunstable Daniel Knight<sup>n</sup>

5Ly Chose Town Tres<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> John Foster<sup>s</sup>

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6Ly it was Voted to Chuse the Rest of Town oficers by a hand Vote

7Ly Chosen for Tithen men { Abraham Masturs<sup>s</sup>  
Richard Day<sup>s</sup>

8Ly Chose for survars of high Ways { John Allen sr<sup>s</sup>  
Benj<sup>a</sup>. Allen s<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup>  
M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet sr<sup>s</sup>  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen<sup>s</sup>

9Ly Chose survars of fences { Ezekel Goodale<sup>s</sup>  
Richard Coy<sup>s</sup>

10Ly Chosen for hog Reves { Ezekel Goodale<sup>s</sup>  
Robert herick<sup>s</sup>  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Mergen<sup>s</sup>  
thomas Ayres Jun<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup>

11Ly it was Voted that all swine shall go at Large provided that they are yoked & Ringed as the Law Directs

12Ly Chose for feld Drivers { John Edwards<sup>s</sup>  
John Bishop<sup>s</sup>  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup>

13Ly Chose Clerk of the market John woodbury

14 Voted to tax the town of manchester for the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers salery £90 [117] 15Ly it was Voted to Give to the support of a Schole in manch<sup>r</sup> £20 16Ly Chosen for a Comety to Reglate a schoul in Manch<sup>r</sup> & Dispose of the £20 Voted for that use M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet & M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen & M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs 17Ly Voted that the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> shall call in £30 of the money that be Longs to sd Town that is at intrest for to Defray town charges 18Ly Voted to Tax the Town £35 to Defray town charges 19Ly that the Commity Chosen to fence the Buring place shall have there hole a count a Lowed to them 20Ly Voted that the present select men shall that is Chosen this Day shall be Assers for the year insuing 21Ly Voted that the Commety formerly Chosen to fence the Land that is minstry Land ajoying to millets swamp shall Like Wise take espekely care to fence the one half of the fence betwixt the minstry Land & Bart<sup>w</sup> Allen Land by the meting hous





Boston Feb<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>—1730

[181] Recd of M<sup>r</sup> John Woodbury Const<sup>t</sup> of Manchester p<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Twenty one pounds & sixteen shillings in full for M<sup>r</sup> Jeras Aallen Ja<sup>res</sup> Allen

[180] Att a Meeting of the Selectmen & sseors of Manch<sup>r</sup> June 18<sup>th</sup> 1730 there was a Minstry Rate List made & Committed to Constable John Hill to Colect & Gather amounting to the sum of £123-10-9 & also a Town Rate Lis Mad & Committed to sd Hill amounting to the sum of £75-19-1 to Colect & pay in the same as he shall Reseve Warant & Direction from the assessors of sd Town

[115] At a Town Meeting Leguely Warned & meet to Gather on 26<sup>th</sup> of July—1730 in order to Chouse Jurymen to sarve on the Jury of trials the next infearer Court to be holden at Salam the scont tusday of July next furstly m<sup>r</sup> John foster was Chosen Moderater for sd meeting 2Ly Thomas Lee 1 & 2ly Josiah Lee each of them Chose to sarve on the sd Jury of trials

[117] Att a Town meeting Leagely warned & met to Gather on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1731 in order to Chouse a Reperesntive to sarve our Town at a Grate & Genarel Court of an asembly to be held at Boston on the 26 Day of this instant may furstly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Chosen moderater for this present meetting 2Ly it was Voted not to sende any person to Repersent us in a Grate & Genaral Court to be Convened held & Cept at the Court house in Boston on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of may in y<sup>e</sup> year 1731

3Ly m<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Ezekel Goodale Jeremiah Hibert Thomas Lee Chose a Comety to Demand & Rec—of the Rev<sup>er</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever what he has to say before the Town of Manches-ter as a Just mater of Complaint that he is Desirous to have Redres in & from s<sup>d</sup> town & also to make inquirey Consarning a Dead of sale that was Completed for the minstry house & Land Joyning to the minstry Land for the Rev<sup>er</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever that he Denys that he has Rec<sup>d</sup> & to bring in the account of all a bove sd to sd Town at the a Jurnment the furst monday in Next insuing the here of at 3 of the oclock in the after Noone to wich this present meting is a jurned

Att a Town meetting by an a Jurnment from the 11 Day of may to the 7 Day of June 1731 M<sup>r</sup> John Foster moderater furstly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Ezekel Goodale Thomas Lee was Chosen for a Comity to Give to the Rev<sup>er</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Chever a Leageal Con Vaince of the

house & the Land in sd Towns behalf as it was butted & bounded & ordered to be Given to him at a town meetting July 20—1725 as appears on Rackord on the 3 book of Rackord in page 130 2Ly theis present metin was a Jurned to monday the 14 of this instant June to eight of the clock in the fore noone

[118] Att a town meeting by an a Jurnment from the 7 Day of June to the 14 Day of June m<sup>r</sup> John Foster moderater furstly it was Voted that the presant Select men shall a Gree with m<sup>r</sup> parepint & pay him for his sarves in his preaching of the Gospel one half of our fast Day Last that whe where Commanded by atorety to obsarve & keep

Att a town meeting Legealy warned & met to Gather on the 6 Day of July 1731 in order to Chuse Jurymen to sarve on the Jury of tryals at the Infearer Cort to be holden at Salam on the second tuesday of this instant July furstly Thomas Lee was chosen moderater for sd meting 2ly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> allen was Chose to sarve on the Jury of tryels

Att a town meeting Leageely warned & meet to gather on the 21 Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1731 In order to Chuse Jury men furstly m<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet was Chosen modrater for s<sup>d</sup> meting 2ly John Tarrin was Chosen to sarve on the Grand Jury for the year insuing 3ly willam Hooper & Sam<sup>l</sup> Bear was chosen to sarve on the Jury of triels at our In fearer Cort to be holden at Salam this Instant Dec<sup>r</sup>.

[181] Att a meting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> day of march 1730—31 that wear Chosen for the year 1730 then Rackened with Constable John hill & ther Rest Du from the s<sup>d</sup> Hill to the Town of Manch for want of his Receipts from the seveal Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recvers the sum of Twoo hundred & seventeen pound five shillings & 10<sup>s</sup> as witnes his hand

John hill

Manch<sup>r</sup> May 24—1731

Rec<sup>d</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> John foster Town Tres<sup>er</sup> by the hand of Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> ninty pounds in bills of Cradet in full for my Covenanted Salery for the year one thousand seven hundred & thurty & thurty pound in bills of Cradet that I agreed to take in Lew of my free Contrebushen & the improvement of the minstry Land a Joyening to millets swamp that I demanded the improvement of Rec<sup>d</sup> at Sundry payments for me

Amas Cheever

[178] Att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 20<sup>th</sup>







Day of July 1731 there was a Town Rate List made amounting to the sum of one hundred & fifty seven pounds <sup>5</sup>18-4 & committed to Cunstable Daniel Knight to Colect & pay into M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Tres<sup>r</sup> £157=18=4

Att a meeting of the Selectmen of manchester on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of Novem<sup>r</sup> 1731 there was a Cuntry Rate List made amounting to the sum of twenty twoo pound <sup>5</sup>3-2 & Committed to Cunstable Daniel Knight to Colect & pay in as he shall Receive warrant & Direction from the Cuntry Tres<sup>r</sup> £22=3=2

Att Meeting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> march 8—173<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Then Rackned with Constable Daniel Knights & there Rests Du to s<sup>d</sup> Town from s<sup>d</sup> Knight for want of his Receipts from the several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recvers the sum of one hundred & seventy nine pounds fourteen shillings & four pence as witnes his hand £179-14-4

Daniel Knight

[124] Att a Town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Leagely warned & meet to Gather on the Eleventh Day of may 1731 in order to Chuse a Representative to sarve our town in a Great & Genaral Court of a ssembly to be held at Boston on the 26 Day of this instant may furstly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Chosen Moderater for this present meeting 2Ly it was Voted not to send any person to Repersentive us in a Grate & Genarel Court to be Con Vened & Cept at the Cort house in Boston on the 26 Day of May 1731 3Ly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Jeremiah Hebert Ezekel Goodale Thomas Lee was Chosen to be a Commity to Demand & Rec — of the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever what he has to Lay before the Town of Manchester as a Just mater of his Complants that he is Desiourous to have Redres in & from sd Town and also to make Inquiry Consarning a Dead of sale that was formerly Completed for the minstry house & sum Land whereon it stands & thare to a Joyning & should have been given or was given to the Rev<sup>er</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever that he Denys that he has Rec<sup>d</sup> & to brin in ttle a Count of all to sd town at the a Jurnment the furst monday June next insuing the Date hereof at three oclock in the after noone to whic the present meetin is Jornd

[123] Manchester May 18—1731 Rec<sup>d</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> John Hill constable one hundred & twenty pounds in Cash & by Discount at sundry payments for the Rev<sup>er</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever that sd hill was ordered to pay in to Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Rec<sup>d</sup> p me Sam Lee

Rec<sup>d</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> John Hill Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> twenty one pound six-  
ten shillings In full of the within mentioned Warrant £21-16

Boston Sep 18<sup>th</sup>—1731 Jer Allen Tres<sup>r</sup>

Manch<sup>r</sup> march y<sup>e</sup> Eleventh 173 $\frac{1}{2}$  Rec<sup>d</sup> of John Hill Constable  
in full of the sum of sevet<sup>y</sup> five pounds nine shillings & sd for  
Rats Committed to him y<sup>e</sup> year thurty pr John foster

Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

[124] Att a Town Meeting Leagely warned & Meett to Gather  
on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of March 173 $\frac{1}{2}$  in Order to Chuse town Officers  
furstly M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Chosen Modrater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting

2 Ly Chose for Select Men { Richard Coy<sup>s</sup>  
Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup>  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

3 Ly Chose for Constable for the year insuing Willam Badcock<sup>s</sup>

4 Ly Chose for Town Clerk Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

5 Ly Chosen for Town Tres<sup>r</sup> John Foster

6 Ly Voted that all the other Town officers & all other Besens  
shall be Don by the Lifting up the hand

7 Ly Chose Survayrs of high ways { John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup>  
Jeremiah Hibert<sup>s</sup>  
John Osment<sup>s</sup>  
Paul Leach<sup>s</sup>

8 Ly Chosen for hounds { Ezekel Goodale<sup>s</sup>  
Edward Lee<sup>s</sup>  
Thomas ayrs Jun<sup>r</sup>

[125] 9 Chosen Survayrs of Fences { Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup>  
Robert Herick<sup>s</sup>  
Jeremiah Hibert<sup>s</sup>

10 Ly Chosen for hogreves { Andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup>  
John Edwards<sup>s</sup>  
Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup>  
M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet<sup>s</sup>

11 Ly Chose for Tiding men { Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgan<sup>s</sup>  
John Bishop<sup>s</sup>





12 Ly Chose for Seler of Lether John Tarring<sup>s</sup>

13 Ly Chosen for Clerk of the market John Weeber

14 Ly Voted that the present Select men shall Lay out the way from the town high way to pits is Cove & the Land Resarved at s<sup>d</sup> Cove by sd Town for a Landing plase according as it is Repared & Recorded in sd Towns Book of Rackords

[125] 15 Ly Voted to tax the Town for the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers £90 for his Salery for the year insuing 16 Ly Voted to Give the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever as a free Gift £10 for the yeare 1732—17 Ly Voted to tax the town £25 for the support of a free schoole 18 Ly Voted Natha<sup>n</sup> Marsturs Jeremiah Hibert Ezekel Goodale shall be a Comity to provide schooling for the children of Manch<sup>r</sup> as far as the £25 afore s<sup>d</sup> will Do it the year insuing 19 Ly Voted to Tax the Town £20 to Defray Town charges 20 Ly Voted that the present Select Men shall be Assers for the year in suing 21 Ly Voted that the propryeters of the Common pastur shall have free Liberty to set up Gats & Bars on Town high ways where it shall be most convengant to in Close s<sup>d</sup> pastur 22 Ly Voted that the Arc- *Gates & Bars*  
kels made & a Greed upon by the proprity of a Sartan parsal of undevided Land Lying in the weest part of our Town shall be of force & the Town officers shall have full power to Drive & impound Creaters & survay the fence of s<sup>d</sup> pastur menched in s<sup>d</sup> Arckels Dated Nov<sup>r</sup> 26 1731 23 Ly Voted that the Valabel Gift of M<sup>r</sup> Baxters pracktable works from M<sup>r</sup> Holden Esq<sup>r</sup> by the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Coleman to the town & Church at manch<sup>r</sup> are Thankefull accepted & that Eight pounds as in full for the binding of s<sup>d</sup> Books be forth weth paid by the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> to the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Amas Chever

[118] At a town meeting in Manchester Leagely warned & meet to gather on the 31 furst Day of May in the year 1732 in order to make an Adition to the sum Granted to be rased for the support of a——schole in Manch<sup>r</sup> for the year insuing furstly m<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Hibert was chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2 Ly it was voted that the assers shall ases the inhabitanice of our Town 25 pounds more for an addition to the former sum Granted to be Rased for the support of a free schole or scholes in manch<sup>r</sup> on our annual Town meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> of march last past to be implied for the use afere sd 3 Ly Voted that the Commety chosen for to Dispose of the 25 pounds Granted to be Rased for the surport of a free schole in manch at our yearly town meeting in Manch last past

shall Dispose of this other 25 pounds in Defraying of the charge & Charges of hiring of a good & able schole master

Att a town meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Leagely warned & meett to Gather on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1732 in order to Chuse a Repesentive to sarve for & Represent us in a Grate & Genaral Cort appinted to be Convened held & kept for his maj<sup>ty</sup> sarvice at the Cort house in boston on 31 Day of this instant may furstly m<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet was Chosen moderater for sd meting 2 ly du inquiry being made it was Voted not to send any person to represent us in sd Cort as haveing the Liberty by the Law so to Dew

[120] Att a Town meeting Legually warned & met to Gather on the 29 Day of June 1732 in order to Chuse Jury men to sarve on the Jury of trials at our next Infearer Cort of Comon ples to be holden at Salam on the second tusday of July next insuing the Date hereof furstly m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee was Chosen modrater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2 Ly John Bishop Benj. Lee was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of Tryals at Salam as afore sd

[182] Att a Meting of the Selectmen in Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1732 there was a Town Rate Lest maid amounting to the sum of £173-05-2 & Committed to Constable Willam Badcock to Collect & Gether & pay in to M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

Att a meeting of the selectmen in Manchester on the 11 day of Sep<sup>r</sup> 1732 there was a Cuntry Rate list mad amounting in the hole to the sum of £22-5-3 & Committed to Cunstable Willam Badcock to colect & pay in as he shall Recve warrant from the Cuntry Tresuer

[126] att a Town Meeting Legely warned & meet to Gather on the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of Nov<sup>r</sup>—1732 In order to Chuse som person or persons to Eenter in to a Corse of Law with M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs & others about the way that Leads to Pettes Cove & the Landing plase there att & also to consider by what way the money Rased & to be Rased from time to time for the support of a free schoole shall be Drawn out of our Tres<sup>r</sup> hands furstly M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy was chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2 Ly Voted that the Select men if they shall meet with any molestashon or interruption in opening the way that Leads to Pittes Cove & Laying out the Landing ther att shall stand a Trial at Law & Draw money as shall be neded to Defray all thare Charge of Sut out of the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs being present Voted in the Negative nothing acted apone that Clase about the schoole







Att A meeting of the select Men of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 4 Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1732 by order & Direction of s<sup>d</sup> Town on our anual Town meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March Last past to Lay out a way to Pittes Cove in Manch<sup>r</sup> so Caled & a Landing plase of one quarter of an acer of Land most Convenient for a Landing plase at s<sup>d</sup> Cove have laid out the same as foloweth begining at the pare of Bars that stands a Crose the plase where the way went that formerly Leaded Down to pettes Cove & have bounded it as foloweth Vi<sup>a</sup> with a stake & stons about it by the side of the stone wall to the southest of the Eastermost post of s<sup>d</sup> bars thence Esterly to a stake & stons about it standing to the sowest of the plase where Jenken willams house formerly stood thence Esterly to a stake with stons about it standing by marsturs portion stone wall that stands a Crose s<sup>d</sup> way thence Esterly or there about to a stake & stons a bout it on the sowest side of the Landing plase s<sup>d</sup> way all Lying & being to the Norrod of s<sup>d</sup> Bounds twenty feet wide all the above s<sup>d</sup> Bounds neare upon a Strate Line—the Bounds of the Land- ing plase at pittes Cove so Called are as foloweth Begining at an old pine stump standing in the thach bank it being the norwest Corner Bounds of s<sup>d</sup> Landing plase thence Easterly by s<sup>d</sup> thach Bank 8 pols or there a bout thence turning southerly by s<sup>d</sup> Cove 7 pols & 6 feett to a stake & stons about it which is the Southeast Corner Bounds thence west or ther a bouts 5 pols to a stake with stons about it which is the southwest Corner Bounds thence nor- westerly 6 pols to the Stump furst menched including in all a quarter of an acer or there abouts

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| Richard Coy                            | Select Men |
| Sam <sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun <sup>r</sup> | of         |
| Thomas Lee                             | Manchester |

[127] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguely warned & met to gather on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of march 173<sup>3</sup> in order to chuse town officers furstly M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee & M<sup>r</sup> Ezekel Goodale Chosen Select men for the year Insuing 3Ly Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> chosen Town Clark for the year insuing 4Ly Sam<sup>ll</sup> allen Jun<sup>r</sup> chosen Cun- stable for the year insuing 5Ly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster chosen Town Tres<sup>r</sup> for the year insuing 6Ly Voted to Chuse the Rest of town Officers by the Lifting up the hands 7Ly Chosen for Survayrs of

high ways Richard Leach<sup>s</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Herick<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup>  
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9Ly Chosen Survayrs of fences Edward Lee willam Badcock Wil-  
lam Hooper<sup>s</sup> s<sup>r</sup> 10 Chosen feld Drivers Robert Herick<sup>s</sup> John Ed-  
wards willam Badcock 11Ly Chosen for pound keeper Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup>  
12Ly Chosen hogreves Ezekel Goodale<sup>s</sup> Richard Coy Benj Lee<sup>s</sup> 13Ly  
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ing shall Dispose of the £45 as far as it will go in Defraying the  
Charg of providing sutabel schooling for the Challdren & youths of  
Manch<sup>r</sup> 23Ly Voted & a Greed that John Foster Thomas Lee Eze-  
kel Goodale Cpt Aaron Bennet Lut Benj Allen<sup>j<sup>r</sup></sup> shall be a Com-  
mity to a Gree with M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs about a high Way from  
the high way that Leads to Black Cove from s<sup>d</sup> way to Go by the  
south sid of his house Down to the plase Caled Nickoluses poynt  
& a quarter of an acer of Land by his ware house & to purchus  
the same if they think best for the Towns advantige if in case  
Danil Willams s<sup>r</sup> will asist in purchasing the same in any mesure  
to the valey of the Way to pitts Cove & if they cant agree to the  
towns advantige it is Like wise voted & agreed that the se-  
lect Men of s<sup>d</sup> Town shall forthwith enter in to a Corse of Law to  
obtane the Way to pitts Cove 23 this present meeting is to the 6  
Day of march 173<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> to three of the o clock in the after noone Att  
a town meeting by an a Jurnment from the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of March to  
the 6 Day of March 173<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy being Modrater for the  
s<sup>d</sup> Meting & the Meting was a Jurned to the 8 Day of this instant  
March to twoo of the o clock in the after noone at a Town meet-  
ing by an a Jurnment from the 6 Day of March to the 8 Day of  
this Instant March M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy Modrater for sd Meeting furstly





John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen a Survay<sup>r</sup> & mesuer of bords & timber 2Ly it was Voted & a Greed to Relinchus all our Ritte & Intrest [128] In the way to pettes provided that Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs will sell a way from the high way to Nichols poynt in the way that Leads Down by his house to s<sup>d</sup> poynt & a quarter of an acer of Land most Convenant for a Landing plase for the sum of ten pounds & sd Marsturs not to make more than twoo pare of bars or Gats a Crose s<sup>d</sup> way s<sup>d</sup> Marsturs fencing the s<sup>d</sup> way on Each sid & the quarter of acer of Land for a Landing plase if need be for s<sup>d</sup> Marsturs advantige in his improvement of his Land of each side of the way & the Land that Laeth Round the Landing plase 4Ly Voted the Commety afore sd Apone there a Greeing with the s<sup>d</sup> Marsturs for the afore sd way Upon the aforesd terms they shall take a Leagel Convaance of the way of twenty twoo feett wide & the quarter of an acer of Land a bove Exprest for the use of s<sup>d</sup> Town & allso Give a Leugeel Convaance in sd Towns behalf of all the towns rite & intrest in the way that Leads to pitts Cove & the Landing plase there att all the a fore sd votes Relating to sd way & Land plases agreed to Voted a Gaine at the hereing of them Read at town meting

*Leach, Mr*

Att a Town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Leaguely warned & met to Gather on the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1733 in order to Chuse a Reperesentive to sarve our Town at a Grate & Genaral Cort or a semble to—be holden at the Town house at Boston on the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of May instant furstly M<sup>r</sup> John Foster was Chosen Moderater for sd Meeting 2Ly Voted not to send any person to Reperesent Us there as haveing the Leberty by Law so to Dow

Att a Town Meeting Leagely warned & met to Gather on the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1733 in order to Chuse Jury men to sarve at y<sup>e</sup> inferear Corte to be holden at Salam Cpt Aaron Bennet was chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Robert herrick & andrew hooper was Chosen to sarve for Jury men

Att a Town Meeting Leagely warned & met to Gather on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1733 in order to Chuse Jury men furstly Mr Benj<sup>a</sup> allen was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Thomas Lee was chosen to sarve on the Gran Jury for the year in suing 3ly Jeremiah Allen & Ezekel Goodale was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryels at the Inferear Cort to be holden at Salam on the last tuesday of this instant Dec<sup>r</sup>

[211] All which Bounds on the other side set Down are according to Former Setelment as appears by The Records in Manchester Town book of Records By order of the Selectmen of Manchester

March 30<sup>th</sup>: 1730

Dated at Manchester

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Town Clerk

We the subscribers being a comittee to preambulate A line with the Town of Manchester accordingly we meet and preambulated sd line according to the Trees within Mintioned as witness our hands

For Manchester {  
John Foster }  
Ezekiel Goodell }  
Richard Coye }

For Ipswich  
Joseph Kinsman  
Thomas Burnam  
Thomas Brown

[120] Att a Town Meeting Leaguely warned & met to gather on the 18 Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1732 In order to Chuse Jury men furstly M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy was Chosen modrater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly David Preson was chosen to sarve on the Grand Jury for the year insuing 3ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Preson & Richard Day was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals at our Infearer Cort to be holden at Salam on the last tuesday of this instant Dec<sup>r</sup>

[210] This May Certify the Selectmen of the Town of Ipswich or others whome thay shall apoint that the Selectmen of Manchester have Received your Request to them to Prerembelate & Renew the bounds betwixt our s<sup>d</sup> Towns on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 30 Day of this Instant March the persons appointed by the Selectmen are for the Town of Manchester is M<sup>r</sup> John Foster M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy of the Selectmen & M<sup>r</sup> Ezekill goodell for that Servis they are to begin to perambleate at a Tree Marked I & M & from said tree trasd The said line from a pine tree Marked with I & M and from said pine half point Northerly near to The Ceder Swamp traceed the bounds from said pine to a wolnet Stump & a white oak and a Rock near The Ceder Swomp before mentioned Trased the line half a point Southerly from the said oak & Rock throw The Ceder Swamp to the top of a hill to the Stump of an old dry pine and on the corse trased & Renewed The bound to the heaps of Rocks formerly Erected and stated to be the corner bounds where Ipswich & glocester meets and Ipswich & Manchester Ends their line

[182] At a meeting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of march 173<sup>2</sup> Then Rackned with Constable Willam Bad-







cock & there Rests Du to the Town of manchester from s<sup>d</sup> Badcock for want of his Recpts from the several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recvers one hundred & ninty five pounds ten shillings &c

As witnes his hand

£195-10-10

Willam Badcock

[129] Att a Town Meeting In Manch<sup>r</sup> Leagely Warned & met to Gather on the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1733<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> In order to Chouse Town Officers to sarve s<sup>d</sup> Town the year insuing furstly Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bennet was chosen Morderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Chosen for Selectmen Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bennet m<sup>r</sup> John Forster M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee 3ly Chosen for Town Clark Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> 4Ly Chosen for Constable for y<sup>e</sup> year insuing, Robert Herrick 5Ly Chosen for Town Tres<sup>r</sup>, Mr John Foster 6Ly Voted to Chuse the rest of Town officers & to Do other Bessenies by a hand Vote 7Ly Chosen for survayrs of high Ways Robert herrick Willam hooper s<sup>r</sup> Ezekeel Goodale Capt Bennet 8Ly Chosen for hounds Thomas Ayrs Jun<sup>r</sup> Benj allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter 9Ly Chosen for fence Vewer M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsters Jonothan Herick Jonothan Allen s<sup>r</sup> 10Ly Chosen for hoge Reveues Jeremiah hibert s<sup>r</sup> William Badcock Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen John allen jun<sup>r</sup> 11Ly Voted that swine shall go at Large bing yoked & Ringed as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 12 Ly Chosen for tithen men Jeremiah hibart Jonathan herrick Richard Coye 13Ly Chosen for Clark of y<sup>e</sup> Market Ezekell Goodale 14ly Chosen for Culers of Fish M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Ezekiel Goodal Capt Bennet John Forster s<sup>r</sup> 15Ly John Osmet Chose sealer of Cord Wood 16Ly John Lee Chose a Sevayer & Mesuer of bords & timber 17Ly John Tarring Chosen Sealer of Leather 18Ly Voted that the selectmen this day Chosen shall be Assers for the year insuing

19Ly Vote to tax y<sup>e</sup> Town £90 for the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers for his covenanted salary for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing [130] 20Ly Voted to tax y<sup>e</sup> Town £30 & to give y<sup>e</sup> said sum of £30 to the Rev<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Cheaver over & above his Coventanted salery as a free Gift 21 Ly Voted to Give £50 for the suport of a free schoole in Manch<sup>r</sup> the year insuing 22Ly Voted that the assers shall tax the Town £60 to Defray all town Charges as far as it will Go 23Ly Voted that the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> shall Call in y<sup>e</sup> Money y<sup>t</sup> sd Town has at interest forthwith to Defray Town Charges 24Ly Voted that Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Ezekiell Goodale & Capt. Bennet shall be a Commety to Lay

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 out a Landing Neare y<sup>e</sup> Meeting hous 25Ly y<sup>e</sup> meeting is ajorned  
 y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> march Day of this instant to twoo of the Clock in y<sup>e</sup> after  
 noone Att A Town Meeting by an A Jeunment from the 18<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of March to y<sup>e</sup> 25 Day of this instant March Capt Bennet Moder-  
 ator for sd Meeting 1 Ly Voted to buld a Wharf in Manch<sup>r</sup> of 50  
 foot front of from y<sup>e</sup> Landing plases by y<sup>e</sup> Meeting hous as far of  
 from y<sup>e</sup> southermost Leadge of Rocks att sd Landing plase & as  
 far of towards the Chaniel as a Commety to be chosen shall think  
 most Advantage for sd Town 2Ly Voted to buld s<sup>d</sup> Wharf at or  
 before the first Day of march next insuing y<sup>e</sup> Date abovsd 3Ly  
 Voted y<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Hibard s<sup>r</sup> Capt Bennet shall be  
 a Committy to order & Direct & Manige y<sup>e</sup> affare of y<sup>e</sup> Charges  
 in bulding of y<sup>e</sup> above s<sup>d</sup> Wharf & Like Wise to Direct as to y<sup>e</sup> spott  
 whare one Wharf shall be bult 4Ly Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup>, assesers shall tax y<sup>e</sup>  
 town £10 more to Defray y<sup>e</sup> Charges of bulding of sd Wharf 5Ly  
 Voted y<sup>t</sup> each man in manch<sup>r</sup> shall Work one Day on sd Wharf  
 having Leagel Warning from s<sup>d</sup> Commety otherwise forft & pay to  
 s<sup>d</sup> Commety 5 : 00<sup>d</sup> to Defray the Charge in bulding of s<sup>d</sup> Wharf 6Ly  
 y<sup>e</sup> Meeting is a Juined to Monday y<sup>e</sup> first Day of Aprel Nex att  
 eight of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenone

Att a Town Meeting by an a Jurnment from y<sup>e</sup> 25 Day of March  
 to y<sup>e</sup> furst Day of April Cap<sup>t</sup> Bennet Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting  
 1Ly Voted & A Gread to Give the Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> cheaver £45 over &  
 above y<sup>e</sup> 30 Voted on y<sup>e</sup> 18 Day of March Last past Which Make  
 up y<sup>e</sup> sum of £75 on the a Count of his Charge in Repairing of his  
 hous Over & above y<sup>e</sup> £90 Voted for his covenanted Salary for y<sup>e</sup>  
 year insuing one condshon y<sup>t</sup> The Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Cheaver Will Give a  
 Rcep<sup>t</sup> in full [131] for the hole of his Covenanted Salery from y<sup>e</sup>  
 furst Day of this setelment in Manch<sup>r</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> furst Day of March in  
 y<sup>e</sup> year 173 $\frac{3}{4}$  but if y<sup>e</sup> Reve<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever shall Refuse or Neglect to  
 Give a Recp<sup>t</sup> When Desired Then the hole of his Covenanted Sali-  
 ery & the £75 added for this year not to be payed nor ordered to  
 be paye untel shuch tim as y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever shall offer & Give a  
 Rcecept in ful as afores<sup>d</sup> all that is Ritten Consarning the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>  
 Chevers Salery & A Recp<sup>t</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> same Voted by Majorrrity Voted  
 2Ly Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> present SelectMen shall Joyne with our Town  
 Tres<sup>r</sup> In Desiring a Recp<sup>t</sup> in full of y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever att y<sup>e</sup> time  
 when Town Tresu<sup>r</sup> shall make up & pay y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> Mr Chever his  
 salery for y<sup>e</sup> year past 3Ly Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Assasers shall Tax y<sup>e</sup>





Town for y<sup>e</sup> £45 above Voted for y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever 4Ly Voted & a Greed y<sup>t</sup> no man belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> or else weare shall Lay any Lumber one part of our Landing to y<sup>e</sup> the Estward of y<sup>e</sup> Schoole hous & so on a Line Norwesterly to a Small Rock near y<sup>e</sup> highway opursit over against Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Ware hous att y<sup>e</sup> end of his Dweling hous from y<sup>e</sup> Last Day of March to the Last Day Nov<sup>r</sup> yearly on the penelty of forfeiting & paying five shillings for Every offence to y<sup>e</sup> use of s<sup>d</sup> Town to be sued for & Recovered by y<sup>e</sup> Town Tresuery from time to time

Att a town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Leguly Warned & mett to Gather on y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of May 1734 in order to Chuse a Repesentitive to sarve us in a Greate & Genaral Court at y<sup>e</sup> Court hous in Boston on y<sup>e</sup> Last Wednesday of this Instant May furstly M<sup>r</sup> John Forster was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting

2Ly Voted in the Negative not to send any parson to Represent us in a Greate & Genaral Court to be holden att Boston on the Last Wednesday of this Instant May

Att a Town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Leguly Warned & Met to Gather on y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1734 in order to chues Jurymen Furstly M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Jonoton allen s<sup>r</sup> & Aron Benet Jun<sup>r</sup> to sarve on the Jury of Tryals att y<sup>e</sup> Next inferer Court to be holden att Salem

Att a Town Meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>th</sup> 1734 In order to chuse Jury men to sarve one on the Gran Jury & to searve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials att the Infearer Court of Common ples to be holden att Salam on y<sup>e</sup> last tusday of this Instant Dec<sup>r</sup> furstly carrid 4 Meting further off y<sup>e</sup> other side of y<sup>e</sup> Leef

[132] Att a meeting of the selectmen & assessors of the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of August there was a Town Rate List mad amounting to the sum of £179-7-11 & Commeted to Constable Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> to Colect & gather in as he shall Recve warant & Direction from the selectmen of the Town one Left out aded to the Les 17-10. £185-9

Att a Meeting of the Select Men & Assessors of the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Oct 1733 there was a Cuntry Rate List mad Amounting to the sum of £22-11-4 & Cometed to Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> to Colect & pay in as he shall Recve warant & Direction from the Cuntry Tres<sup>r</sup> & the Select Men of s<sup>d</sup> Town

Att a Meeting of the Selectmen & assessors of the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup>

August 19<sup>th</sup> 17 there was a Town Rate List made amounting to the sum £295-10-2 & Committed to Constable Robert Herick to Colect & pay in to M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town 'Tres<sup>r</sup> or his order or successor in the same place & office

Att a meeting of the Selectmen & Assessors of the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> August 20<sup>th</sup> 1734 there was a Province Rate List made amounting to the sum of forty four pounds eight shillings 10<sup>d</sup> & Committed to Constable Robert Herrick to Colect & pay as he shall Recve warrant and Direction from the Province Tres<sup>r</sup> & town Tres<sup>r</sup>

[211] Manchester 21<sup>th</sup> of August 1734 Received of M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town Treasurer (In Behalf of the said Town) at several Payments the sum of ninty pounds In publick Bills of Credit In full for My Covenanted Salary for the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred & thirty three And also the further sum of twenty pounds as a free gift from the said Town which said sums To gather with the several yearly Payments formerly Received of the said Town are in full for my Covenanted Sallary from the first Day of May Settlement in Manchester aforesaid until the first day of March 'Last past before the Date hereof as witness My hand

Amas Cheever

A tru Copey of the Rev<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chevers Recpt Given in full for his Salery Attest Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Town Clerk

[132] y<sup>e</sup> Last Claus in a Town Meeting from y<sup>e</sup> other side of y<sup>e</sup> Leef Capt. Aron Benet modrater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly John Hill was chosen for a Gran Jury man 3Ly Robert Worring Jun<sup>r</sup> Benj allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Chose to sarve on the Jury of Trials

Att a Meeting of Select men of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of March 173<sup>4</sup>/<sub>5</sub> then Rakned with Robert Herick Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> & there Rests Du to the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> from sd Constable for the want of the Rcepts from the several Recvevers & Tres<sup>rs</sup> three hundred & thurty nine pounds ninteen shellings as witnes his hand

Robert Herrick

[121] Att a Town Meeting in manchester Leagely Warned & met to Gather on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of march 173<sup>4</sup>/<sub>5</sub> in order to chuse Town officers to sarve said Town the year insuing furstly Cap<sup>t</sup> Aaron Bennet Chosen Moderater for said Meeting

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| 2Ly Chosen for to sarve for select men | { | Deacken Benj <sup>a</sup> Allen <sup>s</sup> |
|  |   | Sam <sup>l</sup> Lee Jun <sup>s</sup>        |
|  |   | Richard Coy <sup>s</sup>                     |







3Ly Chosen for to sarve Town Clerk for the year insuing Sam<sup>s</sup>  
Lee jun<sup>r</sup>

4Ly Chosen for Constable for the year insuing { John Tarring<sup>s</sup>

5Ly Chosen for Town Tres<sup>r</sup> John Foster<sup>s</sup>

6Ly voted to Chuse the rest of the town officers & to do all the  
other afars by a hand Vote

7Ly Chosen for survayrs of high ways { Richard Coy<sup>s</sup>  
Solomon Driver<sup>s</sup>  
John Edwards<sup>s</sup>  
Willam Hooper<sup>s</sup>

8Ly Chosen for hounds { Will Badcock<sup>s</sup>  
Jonathan Herick<sup>s</sup>  
andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup>

9Ly Chosen for survayrs of fences { Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup>  
Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup>  
Jeremiah Hibert<sup>s</sup>

10Ly Chosen for hogreves { Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup>  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen Jun<sup>s</sup>  
John Edwards<sup>s</sup>  
Paul Leach<sup>s</sup>  
Solomon Driver<sup>s</sup>

11Ly voted that swine shall go at large the year insuing being  
yoked & ringed as the Law Directs

12 Ly Chosen for tythen men { John Lee Jun<sup>s</sup>  
Robert Knowlten<sup>s</sup>  
Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>s</sup>

[121] 13Ly Chosen for Cullers of fish { John Foster<sup>s</sup>  
Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs<sup>s</sup>  
Cap<sup>t</sup> Bennet<sup>s</sup>  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen sen<sup>s</sup>

14ly Chosen a survayr of hemp & flax. cap<sup>t</sup> Bennet

15ly Chosen Sealer of Leather Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee

16Ly Chosen Sealer & mesuer of Cord wood Jonathan Allen

17Ly voted that the select men this Day chosen shall assors for the year insuing 18Ly voted to tax the town £90 for the Re<sup>v</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever Covenanted Sallary for the year insuing

[122] 19Ly Voted to tax the town £40 & to Give the said £40 to the Re<sup>v</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Chever a free gift for the year insuing

20Ly voted to Tax the Town £50 to support a free schoole in Manchester the one half of said £50 to be Expended to support 4 schoole Dams to keep free scholsone at that part of our town Called nuport & one in that part Lying near the meeting house and one in that part of our town called the plane & one in that part of our Town called Cettel cove — and the other half of the £50 to be Expended to support a schoole master to keep a free schoole in the schoole house in Manchester in the fall & winter seson Voted that Nath<sup>el</sup> Masturs Robert Herick Willam Hooper Jun & John Edwards shall be a commity to Provide school Dams & schoole master for the year insuing as far forth as the £50 befor voted will go in Defraying the Charges thereof 22Ly voted to tax the town £20 to Defraying all town charges robert Herrick chosen Clark of the market

[179] at a Meeting of the Selectmen of Manchester march 8-173<sup>g</sup> then Rackned with Constable John Tarring an there Rests Du to the said Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> from sd Constable Tarring for want of his Receipts from the several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recevers the sum of two hundred ninty four pound three shill & Five pence as witnes his hand £294-3-6 John Tarring

[132] Manchester March 22<sup>th</sup> 173<sup>g</sup> then Rec<sup>a</sup> of Robert Herrick Constable two hundred ninty six pounds seven shillings it being so much for the year one thousand seven hundred & thirty four I say Rec<sup>a</sup> in full by me John Foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

Boston Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1735 Rec<sup>a</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Consta<sup>ble</sup> of Manchester forty three pounds twelve shillings in full

Jer<sup>e</sup> Allen Treas<sup>r</sup>

[122] at a town meeting in Manchester Leagel warned & met to Gather July the furst Day 1735 In order to Chuse Jury men to sarve at the next Inferear Court to be holden at Salem on the secont Tusday of this Instant July furstly Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen s<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter & John Edwards Chosen to sarve on the Jury of Trials





[178] Att a meting of the Selectmen of Manch<sup>r</sup> on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1735 there was a Town Rate List made amounting in the hole to the sum of two hundred & one pounds four shillings & 7<sup>d</sup> & Committed to Constable John Tarring to Clect & pay in to M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup> or his succesor in the same place & office at or before the furst Day of march next insuing the Date hereof

att a Meeting of the Selectmen of Manchester on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of Oct<sup>r</sup> 1735 there was a Province Rate or tax made amounting in the hole to the sum of £92.19.11 & committed to John tarring constable & ordered to pay to the Provence Tres<sup>r</sup> £91:6: & the remanding part £1:13:11 is ordered to pay to

m<sup>r</sup> John Foster  
Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

Boston Oct-17-1732

[179] Rec<sup>d</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> Daniel Knight Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> twenty one pounds sixteen shillings in full for M<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Allen  
£21-16

pr Eben<sup>r</sup> Swan

Rec<sup>d</sup> of Daniel Knight the sum of one hundred fifty seven pounds tow shillings & 4 being in full of Colection of Rats in year 1731

157-2-4

by John Foster  
Town Tres<sup>r</sup>

[122] at a Town Meeting Leagely warned & meet to Gather in Manch<sup>r</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>th</sup>-1735 In order to Chuse one man to sarve on the Gran Jury & two men to sarve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Infearer Cort to be holden at Salem on the Last tusday of this Instant December furstly Rich Coy was chosen moderater for sd meeting 2 Ly John Weeber s<sup>r</sup> was Chosen to sarve on the Gran jury 3 ly Thomas Pitmon & Joshua Hillton chosen to sarve on the Jury of tryals

[182] Att a meeting of the Selectmen of the town of Manchester their was a town Rate List mad amounting in the hole to the sum of £227:4 & Committed to Cunstable John Osment to Colect & pay in to M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town Tres<sup>r</sup> or his successor in the same place & office as he had received orders

Manchester August 28-1736 Rec<sup>d</sup> as witness my hand

John osment

Att a meeting of the Selectmen & assessors of the Town of Manchester Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1736 there was a Province Rate List made

amounting in the hol to the sum of £87-6-1 & Commeted to M<sup>r</sup> John Osment constable to Colect & pay the sum of eighty five pounds ten shillings to the Province Treas<sup>r</sup> as he shall Recve warrant & Direction from him & the further sum of thirty six shillings 1<sup>d</sup> you du hereby promise to pay into M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Town Treas<sup>r</sup> or his successor in the same place & office at or before the Last day of march next insuing the Date hearof as witnes your hand the day & year above written

John orsment

[123] Att a Meeting of the Select men of Manchester on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of march Anno Do<sup>m</sup> 173<sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub> then Rackned with John Osment Constable & there Rest Du to the Town of manch<sup>r</sup> from said Ostment for want of his Recpt<sup>s</sup> from the several Tres<sup>r</sup> & Recvers two hundred & twenty nine pounds & one peney as witnes his hand

£229-0-1

John osment

June 22-1737

Rec<sup>d</sup> of John Osment Constable tow hundred twenty nine pound it being in full for Rats committed to said Osment to Collect in year 1736 I say Rec<sup>d</sup> by me

John Foster Tres<sup>r</sup>







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*Town Clerk.*









TOWN RECORDS  
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MANCHESTER,

FROM 1718 TO 1769,  
AS CONTAINED IN THE "COMMONERS' RECORDS," AND THE  
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# MANCHESTER TOWN RECORDS.

## INTRODUCTION.

At the Annual Town Meeting held March 17, 18 and 19, 1890, the following votes were passed with reference to a continuation of the printing of the ancient records of the town, viz. : — “ It was voted to accept the Report of the Committee on Old Records and adopt the recommendation contained therein.” We earnestly recommend a continuance of the work from year to year until all the old records of every kind shall be secure from possible destruction, by being printed.” Votes were also passed instructing the same committee (Messrs. Daniel Leach, D. L. Bingham and W. H. Tappan) to go on with the work, and to examine the Proprietors’ Records and cause to be printed such portions of the same as in their judgment would be important. An appropriation of four hundred dollars was granted by the town for this purpose, and the Town Clerk (Mr. A. S. Jewett) was employed by the committee to prepare the work for publication.

For a better understanding of the “ Commoners Records” it has been thought advisable to give an abstract of some of the laws upon the Statute Books at that time. We have been unable thus far to find any paper, essay, or sketch containing a detailed and clear account of the methods employed by the early proprietors in the transaction of their business. The oldest inhabitant has no recollection, not even of tradition, that will avail the student in throwing light upon some points. We are mainly indebted to Herbert B. Adams, Esq., of Johns Hopkins University, for the fullest treatment of this subject. Previous to 1692 matters had been allowed to adjust themselves as best they could, between a people impatient of restraint on the one hand and kingly authority on the other. About

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this time the necessity for some more stable laws had become apparent and the following Act was passed for the "Regulating of Townships, Choice of Town Officers and setting forth their Power." "The Proprietors of the Undivided or Common Lands within each Town and Precinct in this Province, where the same have been heretofore stated, each one's proportion being known, shall, and hereby are Impowred to order, improve or divide in such way and manner as shall be concluded and agreed upon by the major part of the Interested; the Voices to be collected and accounted according to the Interests. And the Proprietors of all undivided or common Lands not stated and proportioned as aforesaid; shall, and hereby are Impowred to manage, improve, divide or dispose of the same as hath been, or shall be concluded and agreed on by the major part of such Proprietors. That no Cottage or Dwelling-place in any Town shall be admitted to the Privilege of Commonage of Woods, Timber and Herbage, or any other the Privileges which lie in Common in any Town, or Peculiar, other than such as were Erected or Privileged by the Grant of such Town or Peculiar before the Year One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and One, or that have been since, or shall hereafter be Granted by the Consent of any Town or Peculiar. And whereas it has been a continued Practice and Custome in the several Towns within this Province, Annually to Choose Select-men or Townsmen, for the Ordering and Managing of the Prudential Affairs of such Town, and other Town Officers for the Executing of other Matters and Things in the Laws appointed by them to be Done and Performed:" Then follow the Acts and Resolves in relation to the election of the various Town Officers, etc. The law had been silent in regard to the calling of a Proprietor's meeting and to relieve the uncertainty an Act was passed during the session of 1712 to this effect. "That when and so often as any five or more of the Proprietors of such Common Lands shall judge a Proprietor's Meeting to be necessary, they may make Application to a Justice of the Peace within the same County where such Lands ly, for a Warrant for the Calling of a Meeting expressing the Time, Place and Occasion thereof: And such Justice is here by Impowred to Grant a Warrant for such Meeting accordingly, Directed to One of the Proprietors asking the same: or to the Proprietors Clerk, requiring him to Notify the Proprietors of the Meeting, and the Time and Place for the same: which Notification shall be given in Writing Posted up in some Publick Place or Places within the Town or







Precinct where the Lands lye, fourteen Days before the day appointed for the Meeting. And such and so many of the Proprietors as shall be Assembled and Meet accordingly, shall have Power by a major Vote to Chuse a Clerk, to Enter and Record all Votes and Orders, that from time to time shall be Made and Passed in the Proprietors Meetings: who shall be Sworn to the faithful Discharge of his Office, as the Law directs, for the Swearing of Town Officers. And to agree upon, and Appoint any other Way or Method of Calling and Summoning Meetings for the future, as shall be most suitable and convenient to the Proprietors. As also to pass Orders for the Managing, Improving or Dividing such Common Lands, not before Stated and Divided: the Voices always to be Collected and Numbred according to the Intrests present, where the same is known." It appears that the Proprietors of Manchester did not see fit to avail themselves of this Act until Aug. 26, 1718, when Richard Leach petitioned that such a meeting might be called; and from that time until Feb. 28, 1769, the doings of this body were recorded in what is known as the "Commoners Records." Such portions have been printed as were thought to be of especial interest in accordance with the expressed wish of the town.

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## PART I.

### COMMONERS RECORDS FROM 1718 TO 1769.

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At a proprietors meeting being the proprietors of the Common and undevide Land in the township of manchester being legally warned and mete together on the 12 Day of September 1718. John Knowlton Chose modrator for sd meeting 1: it was voted that Every proprietor that lived and dwelte in manchester in the year 1716 and that ware the proprietors of the Common and undivd land in the township of manchester should have 20 Acres of upland to every one that has a singele Right or more or less acording to what Every man has in posstion and all five acres of swamp land is grantd to be laid out to Every Right in sum Covenant place in the holl Comm Said 20 Acres to laid out on the East side of a line from our meeting house in manchester to a hemlock standing on the north sid of hemlock plain sd tree standing in Ipswich line and forthwith to be laid out to Every man acording to his Right at the above sd meeting John Knowlton was Chos the proprietors Clerk and sworn at sd meeting at sd meeting it was voted to give for the use of the hole town about forty acres of land for and towards the support of a scholle in manchester the intended for the schoule is Jaks hill and all that land on both hills and it was voted at sd meeting that the Commete should sell so much of our Common land as should pay all coste for laing out the above sd land and Recording Every mans lott to him and the Commete shall lay Every mans lott as nere to his own land as can Convenantly be. the Commete Chose to lay Every man his Right out are as folleth Robert leach senr. aaron bennet John Knowlton, Samuel lee senior John bishop John allen sen Robert leach iunior beniemin allen Richard leach the above sd Commete has liberty to hie an artist to aseste them to lay Every man his Right out acording to his Intrest in sd Com-

mon land and pay sd artes by seleing of land and the above sd Commete has liberty to agree with any proprietor for there parte in there common it is voted at sd meeting that Cap<sup>t</sup> Siblese heirs shall have laid out to them 3 quarters of an Acre and 3 acres which was there Du formorly it is allso voted at sd meeting that Kidell Cove pond should be forthwith laid out into 38 lotts and Every proprietor as aforesaid shall tack thire lott and both Crow Islands are to be Disposed of by the sd Commete as they shall think best and allso Kidell Island the afore sd Commete are ordered to Dispose of by selling sd Island it is voted at sd meeting that half an Acre of land nere the Carsway shall be laid out for to Didg Clay in and at sd meeting it is voted that John gridly should have an Acre of land nere his own land as it is now stacked out and it is voted at the above sd meeting that the Commete Chose and namd as above sd shall forthwith lay out to Every man that is a proprietor as above sd all that Common land laying on the East sid of a line from our meeting house to a tree standing in Ipswich line being a hemlock tree on the norwest of hemlock plain west from mill ston hill: Exepte what land the Commete shall se Case to selle on the East sid of sd line and the proprietors shall tack their lotts by drawing or as they shall agree with the Commete that is every proprietor that lived and dwelt in Manchester in the year 1716 and that now Dueles in manchester this year 1718. the above sd land is given to the proprietors in Concidration of there grat Cost and Charg in setelling mr Cheever amongs us as our minister and it is voted at sd Meeting that the Commete Chose and named at said meeting shall Acte and do as they shall think best they or the maior part of them Relating to the primeses above said and Call a proprietors meeting as ofen as they shall think fete and what is acted at any Meeting by warning or ordered to be warnd by sd Commete shall be binding to the holl proprietors all ways provided the Maior part agree it is voted at said meeting that all timber on any mans land shall be free to build our new meeting house and Shoule house the proprietors that ware at sd meeting ware Col<sup>o</sup> Samuel Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> Robert leach senior Samuel lee senior aaron bennet Samuel leach nath<sup>l</sup> marstus beniemin allen Joseph leach John allen senior Joseph allen senior Robert leach iunior Richard leach John bishop Isaac Whiter John lee senior John lee iunior Joseph allen iunior Shadrach Norton the Revernd M<sup>r</sup> Amse Chever John Knowlton it was voted and agreed at the above sd meeting







to vote by lifting up the hands but it was thought fite to Confeirm all by vote by poles which was agreed on and it was voted by polles that all that had ben voted and is here enterd being Read to them should stand good and not be altered at all.

John Knowlton the  
proprietors Clark

At a proprieter meeting in manchester being legally warned and meet together on the 27 day of october 1718.

John Knowlton Chose modrator first it was voted to vote by poles first it was voted to sele two peaces of land to pay the Cost or part of it for laying out Every man his Right in that land Exsprest in a vote at a meeting September the 12, 1718 one peice of land lies between Mr. Cheevers land Called pople plain and the South Ends of the South Devistion so Called nere Jones being about ten acres the other peace being about twenty two Acres lieng be-

tween Samuel lee seniors 29<sup>nienth</sup> ninth lott in the north devistion lott and Robert leachs thirty<sup>th</sup> lott in the north Devistion the north end of sd land Joynes on glocester line and Coms to a point at the South End it is allso voted to sele Crow island the bidgest at kidell Cove and it is allso voted to sele kidell Island nere grays beach at sd meeting it was voted that Samuel lee senior John bishop and Aaron bennet should be a Commete to sele said land and Islands and to be sold within six Day from the Date of this meeting and it was voted at sd meeting that all votes and agreements mad and agreed on in said meeting September the 12 1718 should stand good and was Confeirmed it was allso voted that all lands laid out to any parson by vartue of any vote September 12 1718 should be to them and thers and there heirs for Ever it is lickwise voted that all the Rest of the land given to the proprietors at a meeting September 12 1718 should be forth with laid out to them by the Commete Chos and named in this book and it is voted at sd meeting that the [6] proprietors Clark shall forth with git a book and Record Every mans lott and be paid for it John Knowlton the  
proprietors Clarke

[9] At a proprietors meeting in manchester on friday the 3 day of october 1718 John Knowlton Chose modrator for sd meeting it was voted at sd meeting that the freeholders now in manchester shall and are admited a Common Right in the west part of our Common land that was not given to the old proprietors at a pro-

prietors meeting in manchester September 12. 1718. and that sd land shall not be devided in 50 year from the date of this meeting all ways provided the twenty five acres given to the proprietors at a proprietors meeting September 12 : 1718 : should be Completed : and if any man Coms into town & is a freeholder he shall be admitted a Right teles it maks up 100 with the old proprietors haveing one more aded to Every Right to them which make them seventy six Rights and all parsons Coming into town shall have liberty to Didg Clay for theire use or cut timber to build with and the Com.<sup>es</sup> are to sell to any a quarter of an acre that will build on it and live on it 7 year or to Return to the proprietors again

John Knowlton the  
proprietors Clark

[11] the 28 day of January 1718 : 19

at a proprietors meeting in manchester Said proprietors being legally warned and met to gather on sd day John Knowlton Chose Modrater for sd meeting first it was voted to vote by lifting up the hands it was voted at sd meeting that all Devistions of land or grantes of land by the proprietors of land in Manchester entered in this boock or all formor Devistions of land in manchester should stand good and should be to them that any land is sett to or granted to or if the Commete Chose and named in this book has agreed with any man for any part of our Common or sold any land to any man we do Ratefie and Confeirm it to them and theire heirs assignes for ever and that all Devistions of land or grantes of land should be trance scribed into this book out of our town book at sd meeting Richard leach had granted to him about five Acres of land between the 11 lotte and twelve lott for six pound it Comes to a point at Ipswich line it is voted that John Knowlton and John lee iun<sup>r</sup> : and Samuel lee iunior should be a Commete to drance Crib all the land out of the old town book into this book it was voted at said Meeting that the proprietors Clerk should Call a proprietors meeting as ofen as he shall think fete it was voted at sd meeting that John Knowlton John lee iunior Robert leach senier and Samuel lee or any two of them should be a Commete to setell any bound between man and man in manchester

John Knowlton the  
proprietors Clerk

at a proprietors meeting in manchester September first day 1720 being legally warned and mett to gather Aaron bennet Chose mod-





rater by the proprietors for sd meting John lee iunior had granted to him three acres in the lower End of Jax Sedar Swamp to bound on the north side of the heads of the shingell place hills lotts Easterly by Mr Cheevers land South by the Shoule land and to Extend west tele it maks up three Acres and all the rest of the Common land between the Shoule land and the heads of the Shingell [12] place hills lotts aioyning on maple swamp to be forthwith sold by the Commete herein named and the Commete here Exprest are impowred to sele all that Comon land on the west side at hupers house and the Commete herein named are fully impowred to sele all that Common land lieing on the Easterly sid of the way that leads out at our town into the spruce swamp and allso to sell all the Common land betwene—guter and the Allens lott aioyning on the land laid out to Cap<sup>t</sup> Siblese heirs the Com<sup>e</sup> Chose to sell said land are Aaron bennet Richard leach John Knowlton and it was voted and agreed at said meeting that the above said Commete should give a deed of the above said land to them that Apears to buie sd land and the following Reharsall of the Commets proseding about was Reed at said meeting and was Ratefied at Said meeting by the holl proprietors then present and At a proprietors meeting September 12, 1718 at sd meeting it was voted at sd meeting that there was granted to Every proprietors that lived and dwellet in manchester in the year 1716 should have twenty five Acres of upland and swamp land in manchester Common the Commete Chose and named in this book has laid out to the proprietors thirty lotts that has ten Acres in a lott Called the north Devistion and thirty lotts about five Acres in a lott Called the South Devistion and 18 lotts in bryery plain on the north side of Col<sup>o</sup>. browns lotts being about an acre in a lott and 3 lotts and halfe to Col<sup>o</sup>. brown and two lotts between Col<sup>o</sup>. browns lotts and the heads of the lotts nere gridly house and six lotts and a half a lott nere gridlys hous and three lotts granted to John Knowlton being all that Common land on the west sid of gridlys land and on the south sid of the way leding to glocester from manchester aioyning southwardly by the meadow west wardly by the halfe Acre laid out for Clay and 38 lotts on the shingell place hills and 38 lotts in and nere the Sedar Swamp and five lotts and half a lott on mill stone hill on the back sid of the Sedar swamp and the Kidell Cove pond and the Commete has sold about ten Acres of land nere Jones by popell plain and twenty two acres of land between Samuel lees lott and leachs lott

and about five acres of land between the 11 and 12 lott and the Commette Chos September the 12 1718 has sold the bidgest of Crow Island and Allso Kidell Island and sum land nere hoopers and it was voted at the Above said meeting that the lotts above Exprest should be drawed by the proprietors of the Common land in manchester and be Recorded to them in this book and all the lotts of land Recorded to any proprietor in this book should be to them and theire heirs or assignes for ever at sd meeting the pro-seding of the Commete Chos and named in this book Relating to the laing out and selling land Exprest in our Common, Caused to be Reed to the proprietors at sd meeting there doings Relating to the primeses and it was Ratefied and Confeirmed by a vote of the proprietors and the Clerk is ordered to pay three shillings per day to those that laid out the Common and to have six pence per lott for Recording Dated September first 1720

John Knowlton the  
proprietors Clerk

the a Count of what money John Knowlton has Received to pay for land

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| of Richard leach for five acres of land which he bought | 06.-00-00 |
| for Crow Island of Joseph leach                         | 06.-00-0  |
| for Kidell Island sold orne                             | 03.-00-0  |
| for the land nere Jones nere poplel plain               |           |
| and 22 acres between Samuel lees land                   |           |
| and Robert leaches land                                 | 21-10-0   |
| at Col <sup>o</sup> . brown for land                    | 16.-03-6  |
| of hooper for land                                      | 07-00-0   |
|   | <hr/>     |
|   | 60-01-6   |

Essex s.s.

To the freeholders being Commoners or proprietors of the Common and undevided land in the township of the town of manchester greting persuant to an act of the generall Court or Asembly of this his mai<sup>s</sup> province of the massachusets bay in new England describing how meetings of proprietors in Common land should be Called upon application mad to me the subscriber one of his ma<sup>s</sup> Justices of the peace for the sd County of Essex by sevrall of the Commoners or proprietors of the town of manchester dated August the 16 : 1718 Desiring that a Commoners or proprietors meeting might be Called thes are therefore in his ma<sup>s</sup> : nam to will and Re-







quire you the Commoners & proprietors in and belonging to the township of manchester to assemble and meet together at the meeting hous in manchester on fryday the twelve day of September next Insuing the Date herein of at Eight of the Clock in the forenoon of sd day for the Reasons following vis : to Consider of and make Choyes of a sutable parson for a Commen<sup>r</sup> or proprietors Clerk 2ly to Consider and agree about the Disposing of the holl or so much of the Common land as they may think Convenient for the bennefitt of the proprietors of said manchester. 3ly : to Consider of and agree of sum method and way for the Calling of a Commoners or proprietors meeting for the future to M<sup>r</sup>. Richard leach of manchester on of the Commoners or proprietors of the town of manchester petitioning or Desiering that a Commoners or proprietors might be Called as above Expressed these are therefore in his mai<sup>ties</sup> name to will and Require you forth with to notifie the said Commoners or proprietors that they assemble and meet to gather att time and place as above Exprest hearof you may not faill dated August the 26 : in the first year of his mai<sup>ties</sup> Reigne Anno qe Dom 1718

John Newman Jus peace

John Knowlton the proprietors Clerk

[30] the north Devistion so Caled is bounded westerly partly by the bever Dame medow and partly on that land Called the bevere Dame hill and northerly by Ipswich and glocester line Easterly by leachs land Southerly by the north Ends of the South Devistion being 30 ten acre lotts

At a proprietors meetting in manchester september the 12 : 1718 the proprietors of the Common and undevided land in manchester did at sd meting grant to Every proprietor's that lived and Dwelt in manchester in the year 1716. about twenty Acres of land to be leaid out to Every proprietor that had one Right in Common land in manchester or more or less acording to what Right they have there being 38 Rights in the holl sd land, to be laid out as above sd to the Eastward of a line from our meeting house in manchester to a homlocke tree standing in Ipswich line standing on the northwest of our hemlock plain so Called and the [31] Commete Chose and nemed in this book was fully impowered to lay out Every proprietor his right as above sd and the sd Commete have proseded as folleth in the year 1718 have laid out and bounded 30 : ten Acres lotts upon Ipswich and glocester line Called the north Devistion bounds westwardly partly by the bever Dam meadow the norwest

Corner of the first lott is a pine stump nere whare potters lodgs lay in Ipswich line or a heap of Rocks and a stake South west Cornor bound a stak and stons standing nere the mill pond in the line betwene the South Devistion and north Devistion this first lott is granted to John Knowlton and is 15 : Rod wid at the South End and : 12 : Rod wid at the north End being wider then the Rest because the bever Dam owners tackes away a strat line on the west side the secont lott in the north Devistion is granted to Col Samuel brown and is. 9. Rod wid at the north End and 3 of a Rod and ten Rod at South End

[37] the South Devistion so colled is bounded northerly by the south Ends of the north Devistion lotes Easterly by Robart leachs old lott southerly by the bryery plain lotts partly and by bears land and Jones land and pople plain and westerly partly by the way by Jones and partly by the bever Dame Revier whar the mill stands

[85] At a broprieters meeting in manchester September the 12 : 1718 we the subcribers being Chosen to lay out and Devid to Every proprietor in manchester according to his intrest sum Common land in the township of manchester according to what has ben stated upon them formerly in our town book we the subcribers as above sd have leyd out the East part of our Common land to Every man acording as the land was in quality it being all that land in manchester that was agreed upon to be leyd out at the above sd meeting September 12 1718 acording to the bounds of the East part of our Common Decribed and prefix by the proprietors at the above sd meeting September 12 : 1718 and all the land Recorded to Any proprietor shall be to them to theire heirs and Assignes for Ever and we order John Knowlton the proprietors Clerk to Record Every mans lott in this book as he is ordered to Do and we have bounded out five lotts to Every Singell Right five lotts besides the pond Dated in Manchester Desember the twentyeth 1718 we the Subcribers are the Commete.

the mark of R Robert leach senior

Samuel lee Senior

the mark of O John Allen senior

the mark B of beniemen Allen

Robert leach iunior

John bishop

Aaron bennet

Richard leach

John Knowlton the proprietors Clerk





[87] At a meeting of the proprietors of manchester June 21 : 1723 it was voted and agreed that the freeholders here Exprest should have one Right in our undevided Common land that lyes to the East ward of a strate line from our meeting hous to a hemlock standing on the westerly sid of hemlock plain in Ipswich line Excepting what land was granted to the proprietors in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighteen September the twelve that to be Cumpleted and then the parsons herein named are to have one Right with the old Commoners tell they make up one hundred and then to be admited no more as it is Exprest in this book

the new Commoners

|                                |                          |                      |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Widow Knight                   | Robert warin             | John Knowlten iunior |
| John Knight                    | John peirs               | Siblee letelfeild    |
| William hooper                 | Ezikeil goodell          | Widow mastes         |
| Samuel Stone                   | John osment              | thomas pitman        |
| Samuel bear                    | nath <sup>l</sup> lee    | Mathew Coye          |
| John foster                    | John hascoll             | Thomas Tuxbury       |
| Samuel allen sen <sup>r</sup>  | Epr <sup>r</sup> . Jones | John Knowlten the    |
| Samuel allen iun <sup>io</sup> | Richard peirs            | proprietors Clerk    |
| Jeremiah hebert                | Isaac whiter             |                      |
| John hill                      | thomas ayrs              |                      |
| John Day                       | David preson             |                      |
| Jabez Dodge                    | Daniel Williams          |                      |
| John tarin                     | phillip nicols           |                      |
| Edward lee                     | William hillton          |                      |

[93] At A proprietors meeting in manchester March the tweleve 1723 beniemin Allen Chose Moderatior for sd meeting then at sd meeting Recked with John Knowlton the proprietors Clerk for what money he had Received or what money was Du from him to the proprietors of the Common land in manchester for land or money by him Recived and Du to him three pound Eight shillings for which three pounds Eight Shilling it was voted and agreed at sd meeting that John Knowlton should have all that Common land betwene nicoles land bought of sd Knowlton and nortones land bounded Eastwardly by bennets land alowing all nedefull ways over sd land as parsons have ocation

John Knowlton the proprietors Clek

At the above said meeting the proprietors Desired the Clerke to Read to them what lotts of land were Entered in this book and All the Entry of land sold or Recorded to any proprietor were

Read in sd meeting and a vote past on it to confeirm to Every man or parsen what land was here in Recorded to them that it should be to them and there heirs for Ever and all lotts not Drawed should be Drawn and Entered lickewise John Knowlton the proprietors Clerk

[95] Att a proprietors meeting in manchester being legally warned and mette together in June 22 1724 John allen sen<sup>r</sup> Chose modrater att the above sd meeting John lee senior John lee iunior Jabez Dodge John foster John allen sen<sup>r</sup> Samuel lee senior and John bishop shall be a Com<sup>ett</sup> to Renew bounds betwen our Common land and the Eighty-one Acres in brushe plain and the Commeetety are to make Return of there Doings there in : at the above sd meeting Jabez Dodge was Chose proprietors Clerk

[99] At a Proprietors meeting Legaly warned & met to gether on Nov<sup>br</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>, 1724, John Bishop was Chosen Moderator, and the sd Meeting was ajourn'd to y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Dec<sup>br</sup>. following. Att a propr<sup>s</sup> Meeting Legally warned & met to gether by ajournment on Dec<sup>br</sup>. 1, 1724 In order to Despose of or Settell all undisposed or unsettled peice of Land. & it was voted that a Commitee should be chosen to manage any such matter or thing and it was fully agreed, And voted that M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet John Foster & Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen & fully Impowred to be a com<sup>tee</sup> for the purpose a for sd also to notifie, any Lott or lotts make & renew bounds in any Devision where & when the proprietors shall find ocation there for.

Whereas there has been several Lotts of vpland, swamp & meadow ground sittuate in y<sup>e</sup> Township of Manch<sup>r</sup>. Formerly Granted by y<sup>e</sup> sd Town, and have been possessed by the former persons to whom sd Lotts or parcels of land were granted to: But severall of the present possesers thereof laying Claim thereto by virtue of such grant, from sd Town or purchess thereof cannot peaceably & quietly enjoy & Improve their full lotts or proportions of land according to grant or purchess by reason of the Com<sup>tee</sup> Neglect which laid out such Lotts, or parcels of land in not making or not entring the perticuler bound, of each pertial lott belonging to y<sup>e</sup> proprietor, or prop<sup>rs</sup> thereof on y<sup>e</sup> sd Towns or, prop<sup>rs</sup> Book of Records; and neither former nor latter Com<sup>tees</sup> have finished & compleated the work: Therefore, Att a prop<sup>rs</sup> Meeting in sd Town legally warned & mett together on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of March, 1724-5 John Lee Jun Mod<sup>r</sup> it was tho<sup>t</sup> highly Necessary to chose a Com<sup>tee</sup> to make and renew bounds where former Com<sup>tees</sup> have not finished & compleated







the work and it was agreed, voted & concluded that M<sup>r</sup> John Foster John Bishop, & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> should be the Com<sup>tee</sup> to finish & compleat the work where it was wanting (& all or y<sup>e</sup> Maj<sup>r</sup> part of y<sup>e</sup> Intrested persons desiring y<sup>e</sup> same) and the sd Com<sup>tee</sup> are hereby fully Impowered to do y<sup>e</sup> sd work & to make return of there doings which is to be in, & after y<sup>e</sup> most just & compleat way & maner as posably by them can or may be done, and y<sup>e</sup> same being entred on y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Town or prop<sup>rs</sup> Records shall be an entire & compleat settlement thereof the same to be done att y<sup>e</sup> cost and Charge of y<sup>e</sup> Prop<sup>rs</sup> thereof.

[103] A Copy of Ephraim Joanes House lot, grant, viz. Att the same Meeting of the proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> Common Lands in Manch. January the twenty eight 1700-1. Whereas Ephraim Joanes then desired a little spot of Common land, might be given to him: he not being able to purchess it. Itt was voted by y<sup>e</sup> sd Proprietors at the s<sup>d</sup> Meeting & granted the said Joanes and his Heirs foreuer A Certain spot or poynt of vpland lying from the Northeasterly end of the bridge Caled by the Name of Joaneses bridge on y<sup>e</sup> easterly side of y<sup>e</sup> way that goeth to Chebacco: that is to say all y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> poynt near the first Hill of Rocks on y<sup>e</sup> North of s<sup>d</sup> land: and so all said spot of vpland between y<sup>e</sup> way that goeth to Chebacas afore s<sup>d</sup> being y<sup>e</sup> bounds of the s<sup>d</sup> land, on the West side, and a brook bounding on y<sup>e</sup> east side of s<sup>d</sup> land: The s<sup>d</sup> Joanes & his Heirs for ever to leave out so much land between the s<sup>d</sup> Rocks & his land granted to him as above s<sup>d</sup> as may be sufficient for a Cart-way and also a drift-way for Cattel to have three or free course to the Common lands.

This a true Copy taken out of y<sup>e</sup> Original Dated Ap<sup>l</sup> 28. 1701 Vote by y<sup>e</sup> Prop<sup>rs</sup> as above s<sup>d</sup> as it stands Recorded. As Attest by me Thomas West Clerk to y<sup>e</sup> said Proprietors.

[104] The Petition of we the subscribers unto M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Commoners Clerk in Manchester these are to Desire that you would warn a Commoners Meeting forthwith to Chose a Commoners Clerk and to Receive in all the Claims proved by the Commoners too their Rights of said Common Land in the undivided Common in Manchester & to Divide s.<sup>d</sup> Commons into ten Lots to a Division or any other way of Division that shall be thought Advisable at said meeting and to Chose a Committe to Divide said Common as shall be agreed upon at said meeting and to Raise money for to Defray what Charges Shall arise by such Division as shall be agreed

upon Either by selling sum of the Common or taxing Each Common Right or any other way that shall be agreed upon at said Meeting and to do any other Business at said meeting that shall be Necessary for a Division of said Common Land in manchester as well not mentioned in this petition as mentioned as witness our hands Manchester 18 Feb.<sup>r</sup> 1763.

Warning Given According to the within

Reten Pertiction

pr. John ffoster Clerk

Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 9 March 1763

John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

Tho<sup>s</sup> Lee

John Lee Ju<sup>r</sup>

Stephen Allen

Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee

Jonathan Herrick

Attest John Tewxbury  
proprietors Clerk

John Tewxbury

[107] Att a propritors Meting one the twelve<sup>th</sup> Day of Octo<sup>r</sup> 1730 by a Gorn-ment from Sep<sup>t</sup> 11-1730 M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Benniot moderator for that Meting frist it was Voted that Euery freholder and propretor Now Dwelling in the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> shall have a Common Right in all our Undevided land in y<sup>e</sup> town of Manch<sup>r</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> west ward of y<sup>e</sup> line from y<sup>e</sup> metting House to Ipswich bound. Secondly it was voted that a Commity should be Chousen to go to Masuer the Commons and undivid land and to take a platt of sd land and Bring it to the propritors of sd land thirdly it was voted tha John ffoster shuld be the Man to Masuer or serva the Common land afor sd fourthly it was voted that M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allin John Lee J<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Hiberd Ezeckiel Goodell as y<sup>e</sup> Commity afor sd to Du that servies in servaing y<sup>e</sup> land fifthly it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> Commity should Make Return of ther Douing as soune as mite be sixly it was voted that seven of y<sup>e</sup> propritors shall appley to y<sup>e</sup> Clark of y<sup>e</sup> propritors for a worront to worn a prop<sup>s</sup> Meting from time to time

Entred one Record  
Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>-1730

Attest John ffoster prop<sup>rs</sup> Clark

[108] Att a Propritors Meting Legally worned and Meett to Gather one y<sup>e</sup> teen<sup>th</sup> Day of November one thousand seven hundred and thirty M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit Chosen Moderator for that meting firstly it was voted that our Common and undevided land within a Cyrcitt shuld be fenced in from the walnut stump by y<sup>e</sup> sutey of the Lotts to Ipswich line thance from sd line to y<sup>e</sup> Este Side of Seder Swomp thance by sd swomp to will<sup>m</sup> Jones fence Sen<sup>d</sup>y it was voted to agorne the Meting to sixteenth Day of Nov<sup>m</sup> Next

*7<sup>th</sup> warn  
D. prop. Meeting*





1730 one sd sixteen<sup>th</sup> Day Metting to Gather M<sup>r</sup> Bennit afore sd Moderator it was voted to Ad Richard Leach Robert Hirrick to the Commty which was Chousen Att a meting the twelfth of Octo one thousand seven hundred thirty: it was voted that s'd Commity shuld make search in the town Book of Records in Manch<sup>r</sup> to find out the propritors Rights and how many Rights 3 it was voted to a Gorne the Metting to the twenty fourth Day of Nov— Next 1730 one s'd twenty 1<sup>th</sup> Day Metting to Gather M<sup>r</sup> Bennit afor s'd Moderator it was voted and agreed upon to sell sum small peices of the Common land to Defray the Commety charges and searvicaing the land y<sup>e</sup> land voted to be sold is as fouth Viz one peice laying between M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennits farm and the lotts by Brushey plan hills also one peice laying between Northan farm and sd Bennit lotts and thomas Tuxbrey lott and other lotts also sum Common land laying between John Lee Jun land and pitmans land—it was voted that M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit John Lee Jun and Ezickel Goodell to be a Commity in full power to seel the aboue sd Common land it was voted to a Gorn the Metting unto March ninth Anauel Metting Nex Ensuing &c Entred one Record N<sup>ov</sup> 26, 1730

We who name are under Riten being a Commty Chousen And apointed to Masuer and bring to the proprs a Draft of the Common and undevid land in Manch<sup>r</sup> westward from a line from the Metting House to hemlock plane to a hemlock tree marked oen Ipswich line and so upon sd linee to y<sup>e</sup> Este side of the Seder Swomp thance by sd swomp and so turning Down to Will<sup>m</sup> Jones fence and Metting to Gather one sixteen<sup>th</sup> Day of Octo— 1730: and sarvaing the Common land from the Meting westward to sd Ipswich line and finding the Common land to be aboute three hundred and three Acers with the Berbury Mash also being Chousen to make Carch in Manch<sup>r</sup> town Book of Records to find out how many Common Right was Granted to the Old propritors When vpon one seventeen day of Nov. Makeing Search and finding thirty Eight Right Granted to the Old prop<sup>s</sup> in the year 1694–5 and twenty Eight Right Aded to sd Com<sup>mrs</sup> and thirty three Right Granted to the vn Commoners in the propritors Book

This Return Entred Nov: 27<sup>th</sup> 1730

Mr. Aaron Bennet

Commity  
Men

{ Benj<sup>a</sup> B A Allin  
Ezickiel Goodell  
Jeremiah Habreed  
John Lee jun<sup>r</sup>  
Richard Leach

303 Ac  
Common Land

38  
28  
33  
99

Att a prop<sup>r</sup> meeting one y<sup>e</sup> twenty<sup>th</sup> of Oct 1730 and A Gorned to March y<sup>e</sup> ninth 1730<sub>31</sub> M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit Moder<sup>r</sup> for that present meeting 1 was Voted to Chuse a Commity to settle Bounds between any Common land and the propritor land and also to Look after any enCrochment upon the Common and undevided Land In seting up any fence or making any Emprovment thereof Chosen D<sup>n</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee D<sup>n</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allin M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit Ezeckil Goodell and John ffoster for Commity men 2ly it was Voted to Jeornd y<sup>e</sup> meeting to may y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>th</sup> Metting to Gather one y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>th</sup> of May 1731 it was voted that y<sup>e</sup> Commity aboue s<sup>d</sup> Chosen give Deeds of Sal and Conferm to any parsen such Common land that shuld be made appear Common to y<sup>e</sup> East word [110] of y<sup>e</sup> Line that Runs from y<sup>e</sup> metting House throu Hemlock plane to Ipswich line it was voted to a Jeorned y<sup>e</sup> Meeting to y<sup>e</sup> Six of Sept. Metting to Gather one Six Day of September 1731 and a Jeorne y<sup>e</sup> meeting to y<sup>e</sup> sixteen<sup>th</sup> of Sept. Instant Metting to Gather one y<sup>e</sup> sixteen day of September 1731 it was voted that the abue sd Commity shuld Leet out Lettel Crow Iland at Kettel Cove in Manchester to any parson that will apear to hier it was voted to a Jeorne y<sup>e</sup> meeting to y<sup>e</sup> first Day of November Metting to Gather one first Day 1731 and a Jerond to y<sup>e</sup> Eleventh Day of Nov— 1731

Metting to Gather one y<sup>e</sup> Eleven<sup>th</sup> Day of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1731 it was Voted to Chuse M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit John Foster and Thomas Lee for a Com-mity to go and get Araticles of a Gremen<sup>t</sup> Draun up in order to fence y<sup>e</sup> undivided land with sum propriters Lott and to go to every mans House to see who would be willing to fence y<sup>e</sup> land in order for a generl pastuer &c &c and a Jeroned y<sup>e</sup> meeting to y<sup>e</sup> thirty<sup>th</sup> Day of November 1731 Metting to Gather one thirty Day of November 1731 M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennet Moderater it was Voted and a Gread upon that y<sup>e</sup> Artictls of A Grement then Drawn up and signed for fencing the undivided land with lotts within the Scirel shuld fourwith be lade out and propotioned to every man his part according to his Right and Interest. M<sup>r</sup> Aaron [111] Bennit John ffoster and Thomas Lee who ware Chosen for a Commety to Du that work and service to the best of ther Judgment it was voted and a greed upon to a Jerone the Metting to Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1731 Metting together one y<sup>e</sup> twenty first Day of December 1731 it was voted and a greed upon in General to Admit one Common Right in the Undivided land in Manchester in the west part of the Commons to Thomas Tuxbrey, and the metting was A Jeorned to y<sup>e</sup> Last Mounday in Jenewary 1731 at teen







of Clock in the forenoon M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit Moderator for that present metting it was voted to Chuse a Commity to Stent and propotion the General paster in our town of Manchester ther portion of stock to y<sup>e</sup> Intrest in y<sup>e</sup> Grate and Genoreel paster so Called

Robert Hirrick

Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters

Thomas Lee

Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgain

Ezeckell Goodell

Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun

and John ffoster Commity men for that service

it was Voted to a Jeorn y<sup>e</sup> Metting to y<sup>e</sup> Second Monday in March 1731-2

[114] We the Subscribers being A Commity Chosen and Empowred to Make Sarch and to Sattel bounds betwen any Common Land and the propriters & wherupon we perseded and finding three pecies of Common Land laying in the westerly part of our town of manchester as fowlleth one peice laying at the Southerly ends of Severall lotts on at the end of M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit lott and thomas Tuxbrey lott Shadrach Norton lott and Richard Coy lott about seventy pole thence about fourty seven pole one Este sid of John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> land & about twnty four pole one y<sup>e</sup> north side of Benj<sup>a</sup> prason land & thence about thirty two pole one the west side of Isaac whetter land to a stomp and stons thence about thirty two pole one north sid of Shadrach Norton land to a stomp and stons thence about five pol to the feets of lotts first Menched — and from M<sup>r</sup> Bennit sou-west Corner bounds by y<sup>e</sup> foots of servall lott to Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters bounds is about Eighty Eight pole to a ok stomp and stons from sd stomp the popler tree is about seventy five pole Norwesterly = another pece of Common land as fowleth about thirty four pole one y<sup>e</sup> este side of nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters land to a stomp & stons about twenty seven pole one y<sup>e</sup> north side of Glace Garden so Called to a Stake & Stons thence about twenty three pole one y<sup>e</sup> way therby side of pitman land to a Stake & Stons thence about twenty three pole one y<sup>e</sup> souvely side of John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> land to Marsters land afor sd another peice of Common land laying at and near Brushew plane Described in page 115

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| Entred one                             | $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Aaron Bennit} \\ \text{John ffoster} \\ \text{Benja B A Allin} \\ \text{Ezeckelmark Goodell} \end{array} \right\}$ | Commity<br>Men |
| Record y <sup>e</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> |  |                |
| of April 1732                          |  |                |
|  |  |                |

[115] We the subscribers being A Commity Chosen and Empowered to sell sum small parsels of Common and undivided land

in y<sup>e</sup> wast part of our town of Manche's to Defra Chrges arising in servaing & perpotioning the General paster and other Charges ther about same Wherupon Making Sarch and finding three peces of Common land as fowleth one peice laying one the south end of Left Bennits lott thomas Tuxbrey lott and Norton lott Richard Coye lott about seventy pole and y<sup>a</sup> about fourty seven pole one Easte side of John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> land and about twenty four pole one the north side of Benj<sup>a</sup> presons land & about thrtly two pole one west side of Isaac whiter land & about thirty two pole one y<sup>e</sup> north side of Northon land to be about Eight to Acors Another pieces of Common land laying about thirty four pole one East side of Nathaniel Marsters land to a whit oke stomp thenc about twenty seven pole to pitman bounds by Glass Garden thence by pitman land about twenty three pole to John Lee Jun land thence by s'd Lee land twenty three pole to Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsters afor sd and is about three acres Another peice of Common land laying at Brusheplane about fourty Eight pole by the Easterly end of the Lott thence about thirty Eight pol nothly to a hemlock one the Line of the Brusheplane Division thence about twenty seven pole North westerly to a heap of stons thence fouer pole to the feets of the Lotts and Contain three Acors  $\frac{1}{2}$

[116] All said peices of land sold to M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit he Being the highest Beder

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| Entred one Record   | } | John Lee Jun <sup>r</sup> | } | Commetey |
| y <sup>e</sup> April y <sup>e</sup> ninten <sup>th</sup> 1732 |   | Aaron bennet              |   | Men      |
|   |   | Ezekeel Goodell           |   |          |

Meting to Gather one the Eight Day of May 1732 M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennit Moderator for this Present meting it was Voted in General by the propritors y<sup>t</sup> the Setteltment, and Regalation of the Grate paster in the town of Manch<sup>r</sup> to be in full force according to the Artickles of a Gremment and settlement in porpotion to every subscribers Intriest for the year 1732 by the Comnity

At y<sup>e</sup> same meting it was voted  
to sal a small peice of Common  
Land in the west part of y<sup>e</sup> town  
laying by and betwen land of  
John Woodbrey and Land of Samuell  
Allin sen laying by land of William  
Hillton and y<sup>e</sup> hy way that go's to  
Black Cove voted Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen  
John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> and Thomas Lee

Nath<sup>n</sup> Marsters  
Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgan  
Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee Jun  
Rob<sup>t</sup> Herrick  
Thomas Lee  
Ezickell Goodell  
John ffoster





for a Commity to sal said land: and a Jeorned y<sup>e</sup> meting to y<sup>e</sup>: 15 Day of May Instant Meeting to gather one y<sup>e</sup> 15 Day of may 1732 Mr Aaron Bennit Moderator for this present meting it was voted that Sam<sup>l</sup> Bear and John Edwards should have Liberty to throw in ther Rite and Intrest of y<sup>e</sup> Berbry marsh in to the Grate paster for Eighteen pence profet for every Acor for this year 1732 in parstoring any Creater at y<sup>e</sup> same meting it was voted by the propritors then presant to sal Ram Island so Called to y<sup>e</sup> hyst bider. voted Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> and Ezeckell Goodell for a Com-mity to sal said Island at y<sup>e</sup> same meting it was voted that all Nes-cary Charges of the sevearl Commitys in Renewing and sateling of Bounds saling of sum parasels of Common land in the weste part of y<sup>e</sup> town and Charges Relating to y<sup>e</sup> Grate paster in Every Artickel Should be paid and a lowed to the Commity from the six-teen<sup>th</sup> Day October 1730 to the fifteen<sup>th</sup> Day of may 1732

[119] Wheras ther was a Commite Chosen to lett out little Crow Iland at Kittle Cove to Samuell Morgan for five year for twenty five shilling per year £6=5=0 and s'd morgan paid in the mony to the Commite on the Eleven<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec<sup>er</sup> 1738 and then leveing the mony with John ffoster the propritors Clark to Defray Charges as folloth July 11<sup>th</sup> 1739 then paid to John Hill Inholder for the Commite Charge at several times 2=0=0 Oct. 1-1730= the propritors of Manchester are Indated to Jabez Dodge the former Clark for his servise as Doth apear: Delevered to Recd to the sum of £1=6=6 the propritors of manchesters Common and un-divided land are Indated to me John ffoster ther Clark from the sixth of november: 1730 to July 11: 1739: for worning of Metting at tending Righting, Recording on Book £2=16=0 to Riting the Lease to Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgan of Crow Iland and Expençe Sept: 20: 1731 0=7=6

March: y<sup>e</sup> Eighteen 1739-40 paid for y<sup>e</sup> Commety Expençe at John Hills by ther order £0=8=3 and from July the leven<sup>th</sup> 1739: nothing has ben allow me for the time Being

John ffoster Clark

Att a propritors meting legally worned and Met togather on Tuesday the twenty ninth of march 1743 Capt. Aaron Bennit was Chosen Moderator for that present meting 1ly it was voted unan-omasly by all the propritors then present that the Inhabitance of town ship of Manchester shall be co equal sharses with us the old propritors in that part of Common land if any be found laying on

Ipswich line or otherwise we quit it to the town use and Benefit for the Inhabitancc &c John ffoster Clark

[121] Att a Commoners or a pritors metting legaily worned and mette To gather one mondday the sixte of march Ano 1753 1<sup>ly</sup> Voted Jonathan Herrick to be moderater for that presente Metting: 2<sup>ly</sup> Voted by us the Commoners of the Town of Manchester to recuive from the Town of manchester all the lands that the Commoners gavie to the Town of manchester att a Commoners metting on Tusday the twenty ninth of March An<sup>o</sup> 1743 3<sup>ly</sup> Voted that Col. Benj<sup>a</sup> maston M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Cap<sup>t</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thomas lee: Cap<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> lee Sam<sup>l</sup> Allin the Second and Dea<sup>n</sup> Jonathan Herrick to be a Committee fully authorized and impowred to manage and settle the Controversy Betwen us and the parsons that have entreed upon parte of this Township and holds the Commons or pritors out of y<sup>e</sup> same also to manage settle or Compound the matter with them or acquit or set—hereby giveing our said Comtee full power lawfull Athority to use any or all proper law full means what so ever for affecting the same or obtaning the possition of the land snached from us by the Commoners of Ipswich or any persen or persons what so ever and if need be in order theirot to appear in our name and behalf before any Courte legislative or Executive to petition Claime Demaind or sue for the Recovery of our Right in the land before menchend and to prosecute the same to final Final Judgment and Execution Hereby giveing to our said Comitie power and authority of making an attorney or attornys under them with Ferther power of substitution and to prosecut and mange the affair above menched in all Respects in as full and ample a maner as the Commeners or perpritors Could in any wise Do by any act or vote of thier one

[122] 4<sup>ly</sup> wherfore voted that the propritors of the Common lands in manchester will Duly and truly Execute to the Town of manchester an atentick Deed or Deeds of the lands above mentiched when ever they shall be Recovered in possion of the propritors of the Common land in manchester afore said John ffoster Thomas lee and Jonathan Herrick ware a Committe Chosen to give good law full Deed or Deeds of the lands above mentichened when soever the land shall be Recovered and in possession of the Commoners of Manchester John ffoster Clerk

Att a propriators Meeting, in manchester Leagally warned & met to gether on thursday the tenth Day of March 1763 Deacon







Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for said Meeting John Tewxbury Chosen proprietors Clerk : Deacon Jonathan Herrick Lieut. Thomas Lee John Tewxbury ware Chosen a Committee to Examin the Claims of the proprietors of the undivided Common Lands in manchester—Deacon Jonathan Herrick Lieut. Thomas Lee Stephen Allen Andrew Woodberry and John Tewxbury ware Chosen a Committee to Measure the undivided Common Land & to Return a plan of the same to y<sup>e</sup> proprietors the Moderator was Pleased to ajourn said meeting to the twenty fifth Day of May 1763 at Eight O Clock in the Morning.

[123] At a proprietors meeting on the 25 Day of May 1763 mett on an Journment was voted as follows (viz) 1<sup>st</sup> Voted and agreed to add 28 Rights to the old Commoners which with the New Commoners make 100 Rights 2ly Voted to Divide said Comon Land into ten Divisions 3ly. Voted and Chosen for a Commitee to Divide said Common Land into the Division Deacon Jonathan Herrick Deacon John Allen Mss. Andrew Woodberry Daniel Edwards & John Tewxbury. 4ly Voted to ajourn the meeting to the Last monday of october in 1763 at Eight O'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning We the subscribers being Chosen a Commetee at a proprietors Meeting in manchester on the 25 Day of may 1763 to Divide all the Common Land in said manchester into ten Equil Divisions for Quantity & Quality which we had done in the following Manner.

[128] At a Proprietors Meeting in manchester on the fifth Day of December 1763 on an ajournment was voted as followeth (viz) to Ajourn the Meeting to the Second Monday of February 1764 at 12 o'clock a noon

At a proprietors Meeting in Manchester Mett to gether on an ajournment on Monday the 13 Day of Feb.<sup>y</sup> 1764. 1<sup>ly</sup> Voted and Cosen Deacon Jonathan Herrick Andrew Woodberry & John Tewxbury for a Committee to Tax Each Common Right the proportionable part of the sum of three pound Eleven shillings & foure pence Lawful money 2ly Voted John Tewxbury to be a Collecttors to Collect such sum or sums as shall be Laid upon Each Common Rite. 3ly Voted that the Committee formerly Chosen to Receive the Claims shall still be a Committee to Receive them till all the Right be Claimed and to Enter them in the proprietors Book 4ly Voted to Ajourn the Meeting to the first Monday of Frebruary 1765 at two o'clock in the after noon and then Met and the Moderator was pleased to Adjourn the Meeting to the first Day of

January 1766 at two O'Clock after Noon Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Common Lands in Manchester Legaly Warned & met together on Tuesday the twenty Eight day of Frebruary 1769 1ly Voted Ensign Andrew Woodbury Moderater 2ly Voted unanimously that the Division of the Common Lands in Manchester made in the Year 1763 shall be Confirmed and stand as it was then Divided 3ly Voted that the Proprietors that had no Right in Kittle Cove pond or thatch Lotts shall have Little Crow Island in Lieu thereof, 4ly Voted to the Town of said Manchester a way from the North East Corner of the Lot belonging to the Heirs of Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Dec.<sup>d</sup> to the West Division Lotts

John Tewxbury Pro<sup>r</sup> Clerk

*For the Town  
of Manchester  
1769*





## PART II.

### FOURTH BOOK OF RECORDS FROM 1736 TO 1786.

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As it would require some two hundred pages to make a transcript of the original Rate Lists, it was thought best to print but one in full, and in each succeeding year to add the new names. In that way the genealogist's labor would be lightened and nothing of importance omitted. Several constables' receipts were for the same reason not copied.

[2] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagely warned & meett to gather on y<sup>e</sup> 9 Day of March 1735-6 in order to Chuse Town Officers to Sarve s<sup>d</sup> town the year in suing Firstly Decken Benj Allen was Chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2 Ly was chosen for Select Men Decken Benj Allen John Foster sen. & Thomas Lee 3ly chosen for Town Clerk Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun 4ly Chosen for Constable for the year insuing John Osment 5ly Chosen for Town Tres<sup>r</sup> John Foster sen 6ly voated to du all the other town bisnes by a hand vote & chuse the Rest of Town officers 7ly Chosen for survayrs of highways Andrew Hooper Benj Allen Jun & Isaril Foster & Abraham Marsturs 8ly was chosen for howhords Edward Lee Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter John Webber sen<sup>r</sup> 9ly chosen for Hog reves Richard Coy John Osment Jonathan Herrick Jeremiah Hibert sen 10ly Chosen for Survayrs of Fences Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Jeremiah Hibert sen<sup>r</sup> & Robert Herrick 11ly voted that swine should go at Large the year Insuing being yoked & Ringed as the law Directs 12ly Chosen for Tithen Men Tranance Webber John Tuck & Solomon Driver 13ly Chosen for Clark of the Market Robert Herrick 14ly Chosen Survayr of hemp & flex Robert Herrick 15<sup>th</sup> Chose Sealer of Leather Benj Lee 16ly Cho-

sen for Mesuar & Sealer of Cordwood Benj Allen 17Ly the Select Men this Day Chosen shall be asesors for the year insuing 18Ly voted to Tax the Town £90 for the Rev M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for his Covenanted Sallery for the year insuing 19Ly voted to Tax the Town £50 & Give the said £50 to the Rev M<sup>r</sup> Chever to Make up the Defferance of the badnes of Province Bills 20Ly voted to Tax the Town £50 for the support of a free schoole or schools in Manch<sup>r</sup> voted by Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun & Benj allen sen to Imploy the money to support a free schoole it all be to support a Schoole Master & the Rest of the Town voted in the negative 21ly voted that the £50 voted for the support a free schoole in Manchester the one half of s<sup>d</sup> £50 to be Expended to support 4 schoole Dams to keep a free schoole one at that part of our town caled Nuport & one in that part of our Town near the Meeting house & one in that part of our town Caled the plans & one in that part of our town Caled Cittal Cove the other half of s<sup>d</sup> £50 to be Expended to support a schoole master to keep a free schoole in the schoole house in manchester in the fall & winter seson voted that Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Robert Herrick & William Hooper Jun shall be a Committee to provide schoole Dams & a Schoole Marstur for the year in suing: as far forth as the £50 before voted will go to Defray the Charge in the manner a foresaid 22Ly voted to Tax the Town £25 to Defray all other nesary Town Charges 22 it was Voted in the negative not to Divide the County of Essex Voted that Nathanail Marsturs Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun and Robert Herrick shall a Committee to Draw up the Reasens whie we are Nòt for Dividing the s<sup>d</sup> County [3] 23Ly voted that the vots for the Building of a wharff in Manchester shall all be in force for one year next in suing 24Ly Voted that the wharff when Bult shall be under the Reglation of the Select men of said Town 25 Voted that if Abrham Marsturs Edward Lee & Robert Knowlton shall pay Into the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> £6— at or before the vi day of this instant March that it shall be in full for the reant that shall then be Com Du by the Improvement of the Schoole Land in Manchester 26 voted that if the afores<sup>d</sup> persens shall neglect or Refuse to pay the 6 pounds afore said that then the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> shall put in — their Lease & shall not take Leas then the hole that shall be Come Du by their Lease

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagaly warned & Met to Gather on the tenth Day of May 1736 In order to Chuse one Sut-able person Being a Free holder & Resident in the Town of Man-







chester to Represent us at the Grate & Genaral Court to be Held & Kept at Boston on the twenty sixth Day of this Instant May firstly Thomas Lee was Chesen Moderator for this present Meeting 2ly voted in the Negative Not to send any person to Represent us at said Gennarl Court as haveing the Liberty by the Law so to Do & not being able to support the Charges 3Ly that M<sup>r</sup> Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Capt. Natha<sup>l</sup> Lee & Robert was chosen a Commitee to Cose to be put in or put in to the Grate & Genaral Court to be held & keep at the Court house in Boston in the province of the Massachutes Bay in New England a partishon in said Touns behalf In order to obtain sum abatement on our part of s<sup>d</sup> Province Tax for the year Last past & also for sum abatement for the present year of what It was the Last year

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagely warned & meett to Gather on the 20 Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1736 In order to Chuse Jury Men one to Sarve on the Grand Jury for the year in suing & the other two men on the Jury of Tryals at Salem at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem within & for the County of Essex on the Last Tusday of this Instant Dec<sup>r</sup> firstly Thomas Lee was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Robert Herrick was chosen to sarve on the Grand Jury for the year insuing 3Ly Jonathan Herrick & Tranance Weebber was Chosen to sarve on the s<sup>d</sup> Jury of tryals.

[4] Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leggel Warned & Meett To gather In Manchester on the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1736—7 In order to chuse Town officers to sarve said Town the year Insuing firstly Capt: Aaron Bennet was chosen Moderator for said Meeting 2Ly John Foster sen John Lee Jun & Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun was chosen Select men 3Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun was chosen Town Clerk 4ly Natha<sup>l</sup> Lee was Chosen Cunstable & he higherd Richard Coy to sarve in rume & sd Town Excepted him & he sarved for s<sup>d</sup> Lee 5Ly John Foster s<sup>r</sup> was chosen Town Tres<sup>r</sup> 6Ly to Du all other Towns bisnes In Chusing Town Officers &c by hand vote 7Ly Benj Lee Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen Robert Knowlton And Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3 was Chosen Survayrs of high ways 8Ly Edward Lee Benj allen Jun<sup>r</sup> andrew Hooper & William Badcock was Chosen Howards—9Ly Robert Herrick John Knight & Richard Coy was Chosen survayrs of fences—10Ly Thomas Lee Jonathan Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> Benj Allen

Sen<sup>r</sup> & Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup> was Chosen Hogreeves 11Ly voated that swine may go at Large the year insuing being yoked & Ringed as the Law Directs—12Ly William Joans Abrham Marsturs<sup>s</sup> & Richard Day<sup>s</sup> was Chosen tithing Men—14Ly Robert Herrick was Chosen Survayr of Hemp & flax

15Ly Benj Lee Chosen Sealer of Lather

16Ly Benj Allen<sup>s</sup> & Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen<sup>s</sup> was Chos mesuerss & Sealers of Cordwood 17Ly the Select Men this Day Chosen shall be asesors for the year insuing 18Ly voted to they shall Tax the Town £90—for the Rev. M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for his Covenanted Sallary for the year In suing 19Ly voate that they shall Tax the Town £60—& Give the Sixty pounds to the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever to make up for the sinking of our Province Bills—20Ly voted to have a schoole Master for the year in suing—21Ly voted by 21 voters for to Tax the Town £60 to support a schoole Master in Manchester the year insuing & 16 men voted in the negetive—Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun promised to Give £12 pounds to the suport woomans schools Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs 20 shillings & Natha<sup>l</sup> Lee Ditto 20 / shillings & Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen Ditto 10/ shillings Robert Herrick Ditto 10/ shillings Thomas Lee Ditto 10/ shillings to support woomans schooles 22Ly voted that Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs Samuel Morgen & Jonathan Herrick shall be a Committee to a Gree with a Schoole Mastur to keep a free schoole In Manchester the year Insuing & Also to a gree with sum Womans to keep a free schoole or schools as far forth as the Money above promised will Go in Defraying that Charge—23Ly voted that the asesors shall Tax the Town £40—to Defray all other Nessary Town Charges—24Ly voted that the asesors a fors<sup>d</sup> shall Tax the Town this year £50—to Defray the Charges of Bulding & Compleeting the Town Wharff as far as it will go—

0. Wharf

[5] 25Ly voted that benj Allen<sup>s</sup> & Robert Herrick shall joyne with the former Comity in the bulding & Compleeting the said Town Wharff.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally warned & meet to gether on the Ninth Day of May Anno Domine 1737 In order to Chuse one Parson to Represent our Town at a grate & General Court or assembly to be Convened & kept for his Majesties Service at the Court house in Boston on wednesday 25 Day of this instant May. Firstly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderater for the said





meeting 2Ly Voted in the negative not to send any Parson to Represent our Town in Said Court as haveing the Liberty so to do and not being able to support the Charge theirow.

Att a Town meeting in Mancter Leagally warned & mett Together on the 4 Day of July Anno Domini 1737 In order to chuse Jurymen to Cerve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem on the Second Tusday of this Instant July Firstly John Foster sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly Solomon Driver & Joseph Woodbury was Chosen to Sarve at said Court on the Jury of Tryals Attja Town meeting in Mancter Leagaly warned and mett together on the Twenty sixth Day of Dec<sup>m</sup>r 1737 In order to Chuse Jurymen Firstly Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen S<sup>r</sup> Chosen moderater for said metting 2Ly William Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen to sarve on the Grand Jury for the year Insuing 3Ly the List offered to the Town for Jurymen was Excepted & Voted by said Town Capt. John Knowlton & John Woodbury was Drawn out of the Boyx to Sarve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court to be Holden at Salem on the Last Tusday of this Instant Dec<sup>m</sup>r

Att a Town Meeting In Mancter Leagelly Warned and Meett together on the Thirteenth of March Anno Domini 1737 In order to Chuse Town officers to Sarve said Town the year Insuing Firstly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen moderatour for said meeting 2Ly Chosen Selectmen Richard Coy, Jeremiah Hibbert Robert Herick. [6] 3Ly Chosen Town Clerk Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee 4Ly Chosen for Constable for the year Insuing Benj. Presson 5Ly Chosen for Town Treasurer John Foster sen<sup>r</sup> 6Ly Voted to do all the other Town Business by a hand vote and Chuse the Rest of Town officers &c. 7Ly Chosen Servayers of Highways: Richard Coy Richard Day Jonathan Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>, Richard Leach 8Ly Chosen for Howards: Joseph Woodbury, John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>, John Orsment, Andrew Hooper, 9Ly Chosen for Hogreves Capt. John Knowlton Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>, John Foster sen. John Tarrin. 10Ly Chosen for Survayers of Fences Capt.<sup>n</sup> Aaron Bennet, Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen s<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Marsturs Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen. 11Ly voted that Swine Shall go at Large being yoked & Ringed as the law Directs the year Insuing 12Ly Choesn Tithen men: John Edwards, John Hill sen<sup>r</sup> Stephen Allen: 13Ly Chosen

Clark of the Market Robert Herrick<sup>s</sup> 14Ly Chosen Sealer of Leath-  
 er Benj.<sup>a</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup> 15Ly Chosen Measures of Wood & Sealers, Thomas  
 Lee Jonathan Herrick<sup>s</sup> 16Ly Chosen Measurer and Marker of  
 Timber John Edwards<sup>s</sup> 17Ly Chosen Pound Keeper John Lee y<sup>a</sup>  
 3<sup>d</sup> 1737 18Ly it was Voted that the Selectmens accompt this Day  
 laid before the Town Shall be allowed as it now Stands 19Ly  
 voted that Nath<sup>l</sup> Marsturs & Robert Herrick Shall have two  
 Pounds one Shilling four pence over and above what they have all  
 ready Rece<sup>d</sup>. for puting the Town's Pertision into the General  
 Court, 20Ly voted that Natha<sup>l</sup> Marsturs, Robert Herrick, & Will-  
 iam Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup>. accompts, Shall be paid allowed which is 26<sup>s</sup>/ 21Ly  
 Voted that the assessors Shall Tax the Town 90£ for the Reverent  
 M<sup>r</sup> Cheavers for the Covenant Sallary for the year Insuing 22Ly  
 voted to Tax the Town 80£ & give the same to the Rev. M<sup>r</sup> Chevers  
 on the accompt of the Badness of Sinking of the Province money  
 for the year Insuing 23Ly voted to Tax the Town 60£ for the  
 suport of a Schoole master to keep a free schoole in Manchester  
 & the said Schoole to be Removed to the four quarters of the Town,  
 they in Each part to provide a Sieutable house for the schoole Mas-  
 ter to keep a Schoole in on there Charge to Acceptants & the Time  
 and Place at the Discretion of the Selectmen 24Ly voted that  
 the [7] Selectmen this Day Chosen Shall be assessers for the year  
 Insuing 25Ly This meeting was ajurned by a vote to Monday  
 Eight a Clock In the Fore Noone it being the Twentieth Day of  
 this Instant March. at a Town Meeting by an ajornifment from the  
 13<sup>th</sup> of this Instant March to the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of the said March John  
 Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Moderator for the said Meeting 26Ly Voted that the  
 List offered for Jurymen Shall be put into the Box to be drawn as  
 the law Directs 27Ly Voted that the men that have Sarved at  
 Jury within the space of two years Shall not be put into the Box  
 to be Drawn as Jurymen, or men within the space of one year to  
 come 28Ly Voted the Selectmen of said Town shall provide &  
 agree with a Schoole Master or Masters to keep a free Schoole in  
 Manch<sup>r</sup>ter as far forth as the 60£ voted for that use will go in De-  
 fraying the Charge thereof 29Ly Voted and agreed to Accept the  
 accompt that has now ben Brought in of the Charges of Building  
 the Town Warff in Manc<sup>r</sup>ter by the said Committee chosen to do  
 that Sarvice 30Ly Voted that the assessors shall Tax the Town  
 33£ pounds to Defray the Charges of the Building of the above said

Warf







Wharff Nathaniel Marsturs voted in the negetive in the above vote Voted and agreed that the Wharffinger that shall be appointed Shall be obliged to take the Following Acknowledgement or fee and no more for all that is landed on or taken off from said Wharff for the year insuing, for Every hhd <sup>d</sup>6, for Every bb<sup>d</sup> 5 for Every 1000 of Shingles <sup>d</sup>4 and so in perpotion, for Every Cord of Cordwood <sup>d</sup>6 and so in perpotion, for Every 1000 of Boards <sup>d</sup>6 and so in perpotion, For Every Vessell that Shall Ly to Land grain if 24 hours <sup>s</sup>2 / <sup>d</sup>6 if above said Time within the space of one week <sup>s</sup>5 and if any Vessell shall Ly to Repair at the s<sup>d</sup> Wharff the Warfing and the owner shall agree for the same Beforehand, and if any Light Vessell shall fasten and Ly at said Wharff they shall pay what the said Wharffinger and they shall agree for beforehand, or otherwise pay at the Rate of <sup>s</sup>5/6 week & so in perpotion for shorter time Rockweed & Sea mulch to Land free from paying Whartfig with a previsor that it be Carried off in 2 Days time and for all frames Carried off or Landed to pay in perpotion as for a Cord of Wood according to the vallew thereof voted and agreed that the Present Selectmen shall agree with a suitable [8] man for to Be Whartfinger to take the Money that shall arise by the Improvments of s<sup>d</sup> Whrtf to be paid into the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> Every three Months for the Towns use 31Ly Voted and agreed that Solomon Driver shall have the use and Improvment of the Burying Place in Manch'ter to befed it, Cutting down all the Bushes and Briers and Mending up the Graves & paying to s<sup>d</sup> Town <sup>s</sup>10/ yearly for three years to come 32Ly Voted and agreed that George Crose shall have a peace of Land in that part of our Town Called the Plains in Manch'ter near the South East Corner Bounds of the Ministry Lot near a joining to Carter Land if the highway that leads into the Plains from Orsments House to the Brast of the Ministry Land 4 Rod wide 33Ly Voted that the Select men shall make Search in the Record of said highway and if it be 4 Rod wide their to give the s<sup>d</sup> George Crose a Convaence of a peice 2 Rod wide and 4 Rod Long, 34Ly Voted that the assessers shall Tax the Town 30£ to defray all other Nesessary Town Charges 35Ly Voted and agreed that the Present Selectmen shall forthwith Erect and make two seat where the Eastermost Pew is in the North East Gallary for the Negros to seat in.

[8] Att a Town Meeting Notified as the Law Directs to Chouse Jurymen to Sarve on the Jury of Tryals at the Inferior Court to be Holden at Salem on the Second Tusday of July on the Eight Day of July 1738. The Select men Town Clark & Cons<sup>bl</sup>, and other of the Inhabitants being Meett on the day above said John Tarin and William Jones was Chosen for Jurymen being Drawn out of the Box as the Law Diretex.

Att a Town meeting in Manch'ter Leagally warned and meet together on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1738 1Ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Knowlton was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly it was voted the Selectmen Namely Richa<sup>d</sup> Coy Jere<sup>h</sup> Hibberts & Robt. Herrick together with Capt<sup>n</sup> John Knowlton and John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>, shall be a Committee to lay out the Highways and to see if any of the inhabitation of s<sup>d</sup> Town has made Any Incroachment on the Highway and Byways of said Town and to lay out ways & renew Bounds to the highways if they finde it Needful & advantaous for s<sup>d</sup> Town & to make a Return of there Doing at our annewel meeting in March next.

At a Town Meeting in Manch'ter on the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of Dec<sup>mr</sup> 1738 Leaguallly warned and mett together in order to Chuse Jury men one to Sarve on the Gran Jury and two to Sarve on the Jury of Tryals Firstly Richard Coy was Chosen Modrater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2Ly Abraham Marsturs was Cosen to Sarve on the Gran Jury for the year Insuing 3Ly Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> William Badcock to Sarve on the Jury of Tryals at the Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of this Instant Dec<sup>mr</sup>

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally warned & Meet together on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March anno Domini 1738-9 In order to Chuse Town officers to sarve said Town the year insuing First Robert Hirrick was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Richard Coy John Lee Jun & Robert Herrick was Chosen for Select Men 3Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen Town Clerk 4Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen was Chosen Constable—5Ly John Foster s<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Town Treas<sup>r</sup> 6Ly voted to do all other Town Bisnes by a hand vote & Chuse the Rest of Town Officers 7Ly Capt Benj Presson Marchant Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen John Hill & Paul Leach was chosen survayars of highways 8 Capt Benj Presson Richard Coy John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> & Jonathan allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Hogreves 9Ly Solomon Driver Benj Lee Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3 & John Edwards was Chosen Howrds—10Ly Jeremiah





Hibbert s<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick Thomas Lee & Benj Allen s<sup>r</sup> Chosen surveyrs of Fences 11Ly voted that swine should go at Large the year Insuing being yoked & Ringed as the Law Directs

[9] 12Ly Benj Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaril Foster & John Bushup was Chosen Tithen Men 13Ly John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3 was Chosen Clark of the Markit 14Ly Benj Lee was Chosen sealer of Leather 15Ly John Hill & Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgen was Chosen Measuer & Sealler of Cordwood 16Ly John Lee Jun Chosen Measuer & Marker of Bord & timber 17Ly John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3 was Chosen pound keeper—18Ly voted that the Select Men this Day Chosen shall be assessors for the year insuing—19 voted that the assessors shall tax the Town £90 for the Rev M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever Covenanted Sallary for the year Insuing & it was further agreed & voted that the assessors shall asses the Town £80 & give it to the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for the sinking of the Bill of Credit for the year insn 20Ly voted that the assessor shall Tax the Town £75 for to Defray the Charge of a free schoole for the year insuing & it was Likewise Voted & agreed that the Peppol that Dwell at that part of our Town Caled Cettel Cove shall have schoole as far forth as their proposion of the £75 will Defray the Charge of the same they providing a sutable house for to keep a schoole in at their own Charge 21Ly voted & a Greed that the Select Men this Day Chosen shall be a Commity to a Gree with a schoole Marstur to keep a free schoole in Manchester for the year Insuing and also to order the Schoole Master what Children he shall take in to the schoole and what Each schooler shall pay or their parance or masturs shall pay the schoole Master wood for the winter seson pr month 22Ly voted that the assesors shall Tax the Town £55 to Defray all nessary Town Charges for the year insuing 23Ly voted agreed that Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee Jun shall have the Rock Lying in Manchester Haboor Comonly Caled & known by the name of black Rock that is a peace of the Rocks & flats that is Most Conveanant for the bulding a wharff thereon (of One hundred feett Long Noattheast & souewest or up & Down the harber & sixty feett wide is heareby Given to the said Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & his Heirs & assigns for Ever for his & their own Bennifit for Ever the Con Dition of the aforesaid Granted primises is that if the aforesaid Lee his Heirs or assigns shall buld a wharff on any part ther of within the space of three years next in suing the Date of this present Meeting and in Case of faller in buld in of the wharff as aforesaid then the Rock & flats to be at the Towns Dispose & Improvement

as it has been in years past to this Day voted upon Deblatration that the aforesaid granted premeses that Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee Jun Shall have Rock as a fores<sup>d</sup> to him & his Heirs for Ever—24Ly voted & a Greed by the mager part of the Inhabitance of said Town present at Town Meeting that Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgen shall have the liberty of Erac-tion two Gats on the way that Leads from s<sup>d</sup> Morgens Dweling house to the Beach that Lyeth to the Norwest of Crow Island for the sum of fourty shilling for the year insuing [10] he the said Mor-gen a Lowing all & any person to pase & Repase from time to time with teems they taking Care to shut the Gats from time to time &c 25Ly voted & a Greed that the Select Men of Manchester this Day Chosen shall sume time in the month of april next seattel & fix bounds betwin Mancheste & Beverely at the head of Chubs Crick so Caled & also fix & seattel a Bounds betwixt the Town of Man-chester & beverely at Whanham Line & Sattel a Strait Line be-twixt the Town of Manchester & Beverely In Case the Town of Beverely shall send their select Men or others to asist & Joyne with them in the seattelment of the afores<sup>d</sup> Bounds & Line 26Ly voted that John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Richard Coye & Robert Herrick the present Select Men shall be a Commette to a Gree with Cap<sup>t</sup> Benj Pressen or with any other Man In Manchester to be wharffinger for the year Insuing to take the fees that was set by said town at their anual Town Meeting In March in year 1737-8 & render an accompt & pay into the Treas<sup>r</sup> of said town according to former votes—the meting was Ajorned to the 26 day of this Instant March to 12 Clock in the Day Att a Town Meeting by an ajornment from the 12 day of March to the 26 day of March 1739 Robert Herrick Modrater for said Meeting—first Voted & agreed that all In Crochments on the Contry Roade & highways & by ways belonging to the Town of Manchester shall be Removed 2Ly voted & a Greed that Richard Coye John Lee jun<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Benj Presson & John Foster sen<sup>r</sup> shall be a Commeette to survey & bound out the Contry Road & all the high ways in Manchester that have been Resarved in the former Divisions of Land in Manchester for the Towns use that have not been Laid out & is entred on the town Rackords & to Note-fie all those persons that have in Croched on the said rode, & high ways that they forthwith Remove their fences or other InCombrances on the said roads & ways & In Case they neglect or Refuse to Du it then the said Committe to Case all those InCombrances that they May DisCover to be Removed as sone as May be By a Du Corse of







Law & make Return of their Duings at our annail town Meeting in March next insuing the aforesaid Date. Each of the afore going Clasues Contaned in the foregoing Vots a Greed to & voted on the Reading in said Meeting.

Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaely warned & met to Gather on the fourteent Day of May 1739 In order to Chuse a Repersentive to sarve for & Repersent us in a Grate & Genaral Cort to be holden & kept at the Court house in Boston for His Majesties sarvice on the 30 day of this Instant May first Thomas Lee was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly voted in the negative not to send any person to Repersent us in the above said Court as haveing the Libert by the Law so to Do. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagaly warned & Meet to Gather on the 2 day of July 1739 In order to Chuse Jury Men to sarve on [12] the Jury of Tryals at the next Infearer Court to be holden at Salem on the second tusday of this Instant July first Decken Benj Lee was chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2Ly Cap<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Bear & Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaril Foster was Chosen to sarve on the Jury of Tryals. At a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally Warned & Meet To gather on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of March Annoy Domini 1739, 40 In order to Chuse Town officers to sarve said Town the year insuing Firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Hirreck was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2Ly Chosen M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy Thomas Lee John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Select Men 3Ly Chosen for Town Clerk John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 4Ly Chosen for Constable John Webber sen<sup>r</sup>. 5Ly Chosen for Town Treas<sup>r</sup> Deken Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee 6Ly Voted to Do all other Town Bisness by a hand Vote & to Chose the Rest of Town Officers 7Ly Chosen for servays of Highways John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick John ffoster sen Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 8Ly Voted to have a 5ward 9Ly Chosen for Howards Richard Day Joseph Knight John Orsment sen<sup>r</sup> Joseph Woodbery 10Ly Chosen for Hogreves, Stephen Allen Andrew Hooper Richard Coy John Edwards 11Ly Voted that swine should Go at Large Being yoked & Ringed as the Law Directs 12Ly Paul Leach Aaron Bennet Jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter Chosen Tithing Men 13Ly Thomas Lee Chosen Clerk of the Market 14Ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen Sealer of Lather 15Ly John Hill sen<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen Chosen Mesuars And sealers of Cord wood 16Ly Voted that John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> shall be A Mesrear & Marker of timber 17Ly Voted John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> should be a pound Keeper 18Ly Voted that the Select Men This Day Chosen shall be Assessors 19Ly Voted that the Assessers shall Tax the

Town £90 pound for the Rev<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever Covented Salary for the year Insuing.

And it was further A Greed and Voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town Ninty pounds And Give it to M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for the sinking of the Bills of Creadit 20Ly Voted that the Assessors shall ases the Town for the support of A free schoole in Manchester seventy five pounds for the year Insuing & that the free school shall be Removed to that part of our Town Caled Kittell Cove there proportionable part according to their Rates they being at the Charge of providing a sutable house to keep scoole In 21Ly Voted that [13] the assessors shall Tax the Town fifty pounds to Defray all néssary Town Charges for the year Insuing 22Ly Voted by 27 Votes that — Higginson Esq<sup>r</sup> of Salem shall be County Rigster for the County of Essex & not one Voted for any other parson 25Ly that the Select men This Day Chosen shall agree with sum sutable man to keep A free schoole in Manchester for the year Insuing & to order what age chlldren shall be of that Goeth to the School & How fire wood shall be provided for the support of firing in the schoole 24Ly Voted & A Greed that Sam<sup>n</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> shall be A Wharffinger to Take an Acompt of all that is Landed on the Town wharff In Manchester & pay In to the Town Tres<sup>r</sup> the one half of the Money that Shall Arise by the Improvmnts of said warff According As the fees for Landing on s<sup>d</sup> warff has been sett by the said Town the Money to Be paid at or before the first Day of March next Insuing 25Ly Voted & Agreed that the Select men shall Leett to Sam<sup>n</sup> Morgen Littel Crow Iland And the way that Leads to it by the Widdow Stoone for forty shilling for the year Insuing he Keeping A Good Gate on said way & Giving free Liberty to all parsens to parse & Reparse Keeping the Gate in Good order.

At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaly Warned & Meet to Gather on the 19 Day of May Anno Domini 1740 In Order to Chuse A Repersentive for to Repersent said Town In A Grate And Generll Cort to be held In Roster on y<sup>e</sup> Last Wonsday of this Instant May Allso to Chouse A Constubell to sarve s<sup>d</sup> Town for the year Insewing firstly Cap<sup>t</sup> John Knowlten was Chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2Ly Voted In the Negetive Not to send A Repersentive 3Ly Chosen for Constubell Israell ffoster for the year Insuing 4Ly Voted And Excepted to sarve as A Constabell In the Rome of Isrell ffoster John Orsment sen<sup>r</sup> 5Ly Voted fifteen Pounds to be Reased





for a Town stock of Ammenistion. At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally Warned & Meet to Gather on the 23 Day of June Anno Domini 1740 [14] In order to Chuse Jury men to sarve on the Jury of Trials at our Next Infearer Cort of Comon pleas to be Holden att Salam on the second Tusday of July Next Insuing from the Date Hereof firstly M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy Chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2Ly Sam Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> And John Tucke Chosen Jury Men to sarve on the Jury of Triyls.

At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally Warned And Meet to Gather on the 29 Day of December Anno Domini 1740 In order to Choose three Jury men the one to sarve On the Grand Juary the Rest on the Juary of Trialls at Our next Infearour Cort of Common pleas And Court of Generell Sessions of the pece to be Holden at Salem on the Last Tusday of December firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater for said Meeting 2Ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen Grand Jeury 3Ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> & Stephen Allen Chosen Juery Men to sarve on Jurey of Trileys—

At a town meatting in manchester Leagaly worned and meet to gather on march y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1740—In order to Chuse town offesers to sarve said town the year Insuing furstly mr John ffoster was Chose moderater for sayd meting 2Ly Chosen for Selectmen John ffoster sen<sup>r</sup> Roberd Herick Ben<sup>m</sup> Presen 3Ly Chosen for town Clerk for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 4Ly Chosen Sam<sup>l</sup> bare for Constabel for the year insuing 5Ly Chosen Deaken ben<sup>m</sup> Lee town treasurer for the year insuing 6Ly voted to Chuse the Rest of the town offesers by hand vote 7Ly Chose for sevaiers of high-wais William badcock John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> John osmond sener Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen juner Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgen 8Ly Chose for Sefaiers of fences Richerd Coy John Edwards John Knight 9Ly Chosen for hogreves thomas pitman John osmand sener Deaken ben<sup>m</sup>. Allen Paul Leach 10Ly Chosen for Howards Stephen allen Jonothon Herrick John Lee Juner Jonothan allen juner 11Ly Voted that hogs shall go att Large yoked & Ringed According to Law 12Ly voted thomas Lee to be a seler of wats and messuer 13Ly Chosen for tything men Aserias allen Solomon Driver Andrew Hooper 14ly Chosen for Seletthers of Leather Deaken Ben<sup>m</sup> Lee 15ly Chosen for measuer and marker of timber John Lee Juner 16ly Chosen for Corders and Sealer of wood Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen 3<sup>d</sup> and Sam<sup>l</sup> morgan 17ly Chosen John Hill sen for an Inspeckter of Deer hunting as the Law Dereckts

[15] 18ly voted that John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen for pound Keeper

19ly voted the Select men Chosen for the year insuing shall be Assessers to Assess for the year insuing 20ly voted that the Assessers shall Assess the town for the Rev<sup>d</sup> Amas Chevers Covenanted Sallery £90 21ly voted that the Assessers shall Assess the town to give to m<sup>r</sup> Amas Chever for making up the sinking of the bills of Credit one hundred pounds 22ly that the Assessers shall Assess the town for the seaport of a free school £75 23ly Voted that the assessers shall Assess the town sixty Pound for to Defray the town Charges 24ly Voted that manefactory mony shall pay town Charges if it hath a Corincey 25ly Voted that the way to the beach and Crow Island shall be Let out 26ly Voted that privilege of the way to Crow Island be to Sam<sup>n</sup> morgen the year insuing and he is to keep a good gate Acrost s<sup>d</sup> way & pasture A cow for Joseph allen in the pasteur whare s<sup>d</sup> way Lies 27ly Voted that Sam<sup>n</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> shall have the privileg of the town wharfe the year Insuing and the s<sup>d</sup> allen is to pay s<sup>d</sup> town four pounds for s<sup>d</sup> wharfe 28ly Voted that John Edwards shall have the Improvement of the School Land his paying the town forty shilings pr year for seven years and s<sup>d</sup> Edwards is not to Cut Any other Wood but Pine and hemlock and the Select men is to give s<sup>d</sup> Edwards a leas of the same 29ly Voted that the present selectmen is a Commity to Call the former Commity to Accompt of the School Land

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At A town meting In manchester Legally warned and met to gather on the 26 of march 1741 In order to Chuse one or more sutabel men to serve the s<sup>d</sup> town the year insuing firstly Leftenant John Lee was Chosen modarater for sd meting 2ly Samuel Carter was Chose Constabel and payd his money 3ly John Edwards was Chose Constabel for the year insuing and Refused to take his oth or pay his fine 4ly pall Leach was Chosen Constabel 5ly John osmond was Voted and excepted to sarve as Constabel in the Room of pall Leach for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing Manchester march 11<sup>th</sup> 1740-1

[16] Reseved of Capt Sam<sup>n</sup> barr five pound in bills of Credet it being for the use of the poor for his not sarving as a Constable in the of manchester for the year one thousand seven hundred and forty one we say reseived

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| John ffoster            | } for         |
| Ben <sup>m</sup> Presen |               |
| Robard Herick           |               |
|                         | } the town of |
|                         | } manchester  |

At a town meting In manchester Legaly Warned and met to gather on the 18<sup>th</sup> of may 1741 In order to Chuse A Representative







for to Represent the sd town In a grate and General Cort to be held in Boston upon wensday the 27<sup>th</sup> of this Instant afore sd furstly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Esqr. was Chosen moderater for sd meting 2ly Voted In the negitive not to send any person Represent them In sd grate and genarel Corte as haveing the Libberty by the Law so to do.

At a town meting In manchester Legaly warned and met together on the 24 day of June 1741 In order to Chuse one or more sutabel parson or parsons to Represen the sd town in a grate and genarel Cort In Boston upon wensday the 8 day of July next and also to Chuse one Assesser to Joyn with the other Assessers to Asses the town this present year In the absence of one of the other Assessers

1ly mr John ffoster was chose moderater for sd meting 2ly Voted In the negitive not to send any person to Represent them in sd grate and ginerall Cort as having the Liberty in the law so to do 3ly mr Richerd Coy was Chosen Assesser to Juyn with the present Assessers to assess the town In the absence of one of the other Assessers 4ly Voted that the town shall find stuff to buld the Bridg by the gris mill 5ly that the Assessers shall asses the town thurty Pound for bulding a watch hous and find aminission for a town stock,

At A meting In manchester Legaly warned and met together on the 13 day of July 1741 In order to Chuse Jury men to Sarve on the Jury of tryals at our next Inferer Corte of Common Pleas to Holden at Salam on the Second tusday of July Instant furstly mr Robert Herrick was Chosen modarater for said meting 2ly Capt John Lee and mr Joseph gidns was Chosen Jurymen.

At A town in manchester Legaly warned and met together on the 24 day of Desem<sup>r</sup> 1741 In order to three Jurymen the one to sarve [17] on the Grand Jury & the other two to sarve on the Jury of trials at our next Inferer Corte of Common pleas and Cort of Ginarel sessions of the pease to be holden at Salam on the Last tusday of Desember Instant furstly Capt John Lee was Chosen moderater for said meting 2ly mr Jonothan herrick was chose grand Jury man to sarve for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing 3ly mr Benj<sup>a</sup> Haskel & mr Josias Allen was Chose to sarve on the Jury of trials.

At a Town meting In Manchester Leagally Warned and Met together on y<sup>e</sup> 16 Day of March 1741-2 In order to Chuse town officers to sarve y<sup>e</sup> sd town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing furstly Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>

was Chosen Moderater for sd meting 2ly Meser Richard Coy and  
 Deaken Ben<sup>m</sup> Lee & Jonothan Herrick was Chosen to be a Com-  
 mittty to Examman y<sup>e</sup> former Selectimen Accompt that they Bring  
 against the town for y<sup>e</sup> year 1741 3ly Richard Coy John Lee y<sup>e</sup>  
 3<sup>d</sup> Thomas Lee Selectmen 4ly John Lee town clerk 5ly Sam<sup>n</sup> Lee  
 Esq<sup>r</sup> Town Tarseur 6ly Robert Knowlton Chosen Constaball 7ly  
 Voted to Do y<sup>e</sup> Rest of Town Bisness & Chouse y<sup>e</sup> Rest of y<sup>e</sup>  
 town Officers by hand vote 8ly M<sup>r</sup> John ffoster sen<sup>r</sup> Servari High-  
 ways 9ly Thomas Lee was Chosen Servari of Highways 10ly  
 Richard Coy Servari of Highway 11ly John Tarring Servari of  
 Highways 12ly Andrew Hooper was Chosen servari of Highways  
 13ly Chosen for Hogreves Sam<sup>n</sup> Carter Capt Ben<sup>m</sup> Pressen Richard  
 Coy William Hoper 14ly for hogs to Go at large 15ly Chosen  
 for Houwards Ben<sup>m</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> John Osment Sen<sup>r</sup> william Bad-  
 cock sen<sup>r</sup> Joseph Knight 16ly Chosen for fence servari John Lee  
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 men Joseph Horsham William Jons Robert Woren Sen<sup>r</sup> 18ly Thom-  
 as Lee was Chosen Seeler of waets And Marsuers 19ly Ben<sup>m</sup> Lee  
 was Chosen to be sealer of Lather 20ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen  
 a mashuer & mark of tember 21ly Robert Herrek Corder mashuer  
 of wood 22ly Thomas Lee was Chosen Corder and Mashuer of  
 wood 23ly Chosen Andrew Hooper Corder and Mashuer of  
 wood 24ly Chosen John Hill sen<sup>r</sup> A Inspector of killing & Hont-  
 ing of Dear 25ly John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen pound Keeper 26ly  
 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectinen This Day Chosen to be Assessors for y<sup>e</sup>  
 Town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing 27ly Voted Ninty pound old tannor to y<sup>e</sup>  
 Rev<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever as his Coventened Salary 28ly Voted to Give  
 to y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> Amos Chever to make up y<sup>e</sup> Depreceating the Bills of  
 publc Cradet one Hundred & twenty pounds 29ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>  
 assessers shall assess y<sup>e</sup> town for to Keep a Grammor School  
 Eighty pounds 30ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessers shall assess y<sup>e</sup> town  
 for to Defray town Charges twenty five pound 31ly Voted M<sup>r</sup>  
 John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrek shall have A plas In y<sup>e</sup> Banik near  
 y<sup>e</sup> School houce for to Buld A Lime Kill for to stand five years It  
 is to be Left with the Selectmen where to be 32ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>  
 Selectmen shall Let out y<sup>e</sup> School Land for y<sup>e</sup> mos they can geet  
 33ly Voted that Sam<sup>n</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> shall be Reconsederd for the hire  
 of y<sup>e</sup> worffe In y<sup>e</sup> year 1741 forty shillings 34ly that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen  
 shall Repare y<sup>e</sup> town woffee And Get y<sup>e</sup> most thay Can for it 35ly  
 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Barren place shall be Let for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing to Capt

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Ben<sup>ja</sup> Presson for twenty shillings 36ly Voted that Sam<sup>ll</sup> Morgein shall have y<sup>e</sup> Vse of Crow Island And y<sup>e</sup> way Leading into it for y<sup>e</sup> sum of two pounds he Keeping up a Good Gate to pase And Repase 37ly Voted that Edward Lee Abraham Marstus Robert Knowlton shall be A quited from y<sup>e</sup> Releas thay Gave for y<sup>e</sup> School Land thay paying three pound In thirty Days 38ly y<sup>e</sup> meting is A Gorned to mondy y<sup>e</sup> twenty ninth Day of this Enstant At a meting by an Ajurnment from y<sup>e</sup> 16 Day of March 1741-2 to y<sup>e</sup> 29 met & voted as [18] foloweth Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen accompts for y<sup>e</sup> Last year Disbursments shall be & hereby is a Lowed to them Upon Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Refuisell of sarving town Tres<sup>r</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing to another Choyce Voted that M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy shall be Town Tres<sup>r</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing

[19] At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaely Warned and meet to Gather on the teenth Day of May In y<sup>e</sup> year 1742 In order to Chues a Repersentive to sarve for And Repersent us In a Grate and Genarell Cort to be Holden & Kept att y<sup>e</sup> Court house In Boston for His Majesties Sarvic on y<sup>e</sup> twenty six Day of this Instant May firstly Ben<sup>ja</sup> Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> Chosen Modorrater 2ly Voted In y<sup>e</sup> Negitive not to Chouse aney parson to Repersent us In y<sup>e</sup> Cort above said by haveing the Liberty of y<sup>e</sup> Law so to do At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguely Warned And meet to Gather In order to choues Juery men on y<sup>e</sup> 28 of June Anno Domini 1742 to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at our Next Infearer Cort of Common pleas to be Holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> the second Tusday of July next Insuing from the Date Hereof firstly Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Modrater 2ly Capt. John orsment And Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen Jury of trials

At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaely warned And Meet to Gather on the 25 Day of October Anno Domini 1742 In order to Chouse tow Juery Men y<sup>e</sup> one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury y<sup>e</sup> other to on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials att our next Sup<sup>r</sup> Cort of Judicature Cort of asizes And Generall Gold Delivery to be holden att Salem on y<sup>e</sup> secont Tusday of November Next firstly Robert Herrek Chosen Modrater 2ly Richard Coy Chosen Grand Jury man 3ly John foster sen<sup>r</sup> Chosen Jury man for Jury of Trials

[20] At A Town meeting In Manchester Leggaely warned And meet to Gather on the 24 Day of Decem. Anno Domini 1742 In order to chovs three Juery men the One to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury the other to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of trials at our Next Infere Cort of

Comon pleas to be Holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tusday of this Corent from the Date hereof firstely Richard Coy Chosen Morderater 2ly John Osment Chosen Grand Jury man 3ly Sam.<sup>11</sup> Cartor Chosen & John Hill sen<sup>r</sup> Jury of triels

At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagaly Warned and meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> fiftenth Day of March Anno Domini 1742-3 In order to Chuse town Officers to sarve y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> town y<sup>e</sup> year In suing firstly Robort Herrick was Chosen moderater for said meeting 2ly Chosen for Selectmen Robert Herrick John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Richard Coye 3ly Chosen John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Town Clerk 4ly Chosen Andrew Hooper Constabel 5ly Chosen Richard Coye Town Tras<sup>r</sup>. 6ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Reast of y<sup>e</sup> Town officers to be Chosen by hand vote And all other Beseness 7ly Chosen for Survares of Higways Benj.<sup>a</sup> Lee John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick John Edwards Sam.<sup>11</sup>. Morgen 8ly Chosen for Hogreves Joseph Giddings Benj. Osment Sam.<sup>11</sup> Allen Jun.<sup>1</sup> Sam.<sup>11</sup>. Cartor Sam.<sup>11</sup>. Morgen 9ly Voted that Hogs shall Go at Large being well-yoked And Reing according to Law 10ly Chosen for Howords Sam.<sup>11</sup> Allen Jun.<sup>r</sup> John Tuck Ben.<sup>ja</sup> Harskill Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> 11ly Chosen for fence Survares Richard Coye Sam.<sup>11</sup> Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Thomas Lee 12ly Chosen tiseingmen Sam.<sup>11</sup> Allen Jun.<sup>1</sup> Azariah Allen John forster sen.<sup>r</sup> 13ly Thomas Lee Chosen for Sealer of Wats & marsvers 14ly Ben.<sup>ja</sup> Lee Chosen for Sealer of Lathar 15ly John Lee Jun.<sup>r</sup> Chosen for a Marsver & Marker of tember 16ly Chosen for Corders of wood Thomas Lee Sam.<sup>11</sup> Morgen [21] 17ly John Hill sen.<sup>r</sup> Chosen for Inspater of Dear 18ly Voted that the Selectmen this Day Chosen shall Be sessers to Assess the Town for y<sup>e</sup> year 1743 19ly the folowing Sume of Money that are to be Rased are to be In old tenner money 20ly Voted to y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever As his Covenant Sallary £90: <sup>s</sup> 0-0 <sup>d</sup> 21ly Voted to Give y<sup>e</sup> Rev.<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever for Making up the Sinking of the poblick Bills of Cradet £120-0-0 <sup>s</sup> 22ly Voted to Assess the Town for a Gramors School for the year Insuing £75-0-0 <sup>s</sup> 23ly Voted to Assess the Town to Defray town Charges for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing £90-0-0 <sup>s</sup> 24ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> warff shall be Let to M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing for 45/ 25ly Voted that the Barren plas shall be Let to Robert Herrick for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing for 24/ 26ly Voted that Crow Iland And y<sup>e</sup> way Leding to it shall be Let to Sam.<sup>11</sup> Morgen for y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing for 40/ 27ly Voted that

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y<sup>e</sup> town shall Exchange y<sup>e</sup> 19th lot In y<sup>e</sup> South Divition with Sam.<sup>ll</sup> Morgen for the 13<sup>th</sup> Lot In y<sup>e</sup> North Divition the Town Giving s<sup>d</sup> Morgen the vse of Crow Island And ye way Leding to it for y<sup>e</sup> year 1743 28ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen shall Give And Receve Deeds for y<sup>e</sup> above s<sup>d</sup> Lots 29ly Voted y<sup>t</sup> the meeting is agorned to Tusday the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Corent at one of the Clock In the Aftor None At a gorment of the meeting from y<sup>e</sup> fiftenth Day of March to y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Ninth Day firstly Voted by y<sup>e</sup> town to Except of the vote of y<sup>e</sup> proprietore: Voted by y<sup>e</sup> propitors that y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitance [22] of the Town of Manchester shall Be Equall Sheares with y<sup>e</sup> Old propitors In that part of Common Land if any be found Lying on Ipswich Line or other wise we Give it to y<sup>e</sup> town of Manch<sup>r</sup>. for the Vse of s<sup>d</sup> town 2ly Voted for A Commetty to trete with & Settell the Bounds Betwen Ipswich & Manchester with Ipswich Commetty Richard Coye John ffoster sen<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> And John Lee <sup>ye 3d</sup> 3ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Morgen And Jonathan Herrick shall be A committy to trate with y<sup>e</sup> propitors of y<sup>e</sup> meeting house to Gave up their Right & to make it a town Hovse At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned And meet to Gather on y<sup>e</sup> sixteenth Day of May In y<sup>e</sup> year 1743 In order to Chovse a Repersentive to sarve for and Repersent us In a Grate And Gennerall Corte to be Holden & Kept at y<sup>e</sup> Corte hovse In Boston for His Majesty Sarves on the twenty fifth Day of this Instant May firstly Chosen for Modorrater Robert Herrick 2ly Voted In y<sup>e</sup> Negative Not to Choose any parson to Repersent us In y<sup>e</sup> Corte above said by having the Lebery of y<sup>e</sup> Law so to do 3ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen Shall pertition to the Gennarell Corte for sum Abatement of our Rates.

At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned And meet to Gather In order to Choves Juery men on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July Anno Domini 1743 to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at our Next Infearer Cort of Comon pleas to be Holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> second Tusday of July Next In suing the Date Hereof firstly Andrew Hooper Chosen mordrater 2ly Joseph Lee & Daken Ben<sup>ja</sup>. Allen was chosen Jury men. At A Town Meeting In Manchester Lagaelly Warned & Meet to Gather In order to Choves three Jury men on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of Decem<sup>r</sup> Anno Domini 1743 the one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury the other to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trialis at our Next Infere Cort of Comon pleas to be holden at Sealem on y<sup>e</sup> last Tus-

day of this Corrent from the Date hereof. firstly M<sup>r</sup> John ffoster chosen Mordrater 2ly John Edwards Chosen Grand Jury man 3ly Robert Herrick & Elisha Allen Chosen for Jury of trials.

[23] At a Town meeting in Manch<sup>r</sup>. Leagly warned and meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Seventh Day of february Anno Domini 1743/4 In order to Chose A Commety to Suply y<sup>e</sup> polpet allso A Commety to Settlet & Make up all Acompts Between y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Ames Chever & y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester allso to see if the Town wold Joyne with y<sup>e</sup> Church In Excepting of M<sup>r</sup> Cheever Disour In Asking a Dismistion from his peopel & Pastrol Care—firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Modderrater for said meeting

[24] 2ly Voted the Town to Joyne with y<sup>e</sup> Church In Excepting of y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> Ames Cheever Disour In Asking A Dismistion from his peopel & his Parstarl Care 3ly Voted that the Commety to Supply y<sup>e</sup> Pulpot That they Shall Defray their one Cherges In y<sup>e</sup> town of Manchester In Setling &c 4ly Voted that Dekan Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Robert Herrick Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards Richard Coye Benj<sup>a</sup>: Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Jonathan Herrick and John Osment shall be A Commety to Supply the pulpot 5ly Voted that John ffoster John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Dekan Benj<sup>a</sup>. allen to Joyone with y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen as a commety to Settlet & make up all Acompts Between y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup> Ames Cheever our former Paster And the Town of Manchester At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaly warned And meet to Gathar on y<sup>e</sup> Nineteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1743/4 In order to Chouse Town Officers to sarve y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chousen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Robert Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Lee y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen Selectmen 3ly John Lee 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen Town Clerk 4ly Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen Constabell 5ly Richard Coye Chouse Town Tras<sup>r</sup>. 6ly Voted to Chouse y<sup>e</sup> Raest of y<sup>e</sup> Town officers & all other Bisness by hand Vote 7ly Chouse for Servarys of hieways Joseph Lee William Badcock John Osmant sen.<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Josiah Ingalsen 8ly Chouse for Hogreafes Benj<sup>a</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Richard Coye Joseph Knight John ffoster sen.<sup>r</sup> John Osment sen.<sup>r</sup>. 8ly Voted that hogs shall go at Large wall yoked And Reigned according to Law. Chouse for hounds or feild Drivers Jonathan Herrick Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Benj<sup>a</sup>. Osment





Thomas Aers<sup>s</sup> Andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup> 10ly Chouse for servarys of fences  
 Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee Robert Knowlton<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Allen<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>. 11ly Chose for  
 Tying men John Eskot<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Allen<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Lee<sup>s</sup> 12ly  
 Voted Thomas Lee Sealr of wates & Marsuer 13ly Voted John  
 Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Marsuer & Marker of Tember And Bords 14ly Voted  
 Benj<sup>a</sup>.<sup>s</sup> sealer of Lather 15ly Voted Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> And Sam<sup>ll</sup>.  
 Morgen Cordors of Wood 16ly Voted Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Bare Inspator of  
 Dear 17ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen this Day Chosen shall be  
 Assessors to Assess the Town 18ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>r</sup> Shall  
 Assess the Town £55 To Defray the Charge of praching for y<sup>e</sup>  
 year Insuing 19 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>r</sup> shall Assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Im-  
 medeatly for y<sup>e</sup> fifty five pound for the Ministray Abov Manch-  
 ened 20ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>r</sup> shall assess the Town £15  
 pounds for Defraying y<sup>e</sup> Charge of a Gramer School 21ly Voted  
 that the Assessors shall assess the Town <sup>£</sup>35 To Defray the Town  
 Tax 22Ly Voted to John Lee Tertius 15<sup>s</sup> for his Service as Town  
 Clerk the year Ensuing 23ly Voted that the Ministry Land [25] shall  
 not be ploughed up 24Ly Voted to Lett the Ministry Land by the  
 Meeting House to Benj<sup>a</sup>. Orsment for <sup>£</sup>1-1-0<sup>s d</sup> 24Ly Voted to Lett  
 the Ministry Land between the Pound and M<sup>r</sup> Cheevers's Land up-  
 land & Marish both sides of the Channell to John Orsment Sen<sup>r</sup> for  
<sup>£</sup>3-9-0<sup>s d</sup> 25ly Voted to Lett the Ministry Land Lying by Millett's  
 Swamp to Joseph Lee for Sixteen Shillings. 26ly Voted to Lett  
 the Burying place to Robert Herrick for Five Shillings 27ly  
 Voted that the Select Men this Day choose who shall be a Com-  
 ittee to agree with a schoolmaster or masters as far as £15 will go  
 for that service Voted to Lett the Town Wharff to Robert  
 Herrick and John Lee Tertius for Ten Shillings 28ly the meeting  
 Adjourned to Deacon Benj<sup>a</sup>. Allens. 29ly Voted to clear Sam<sup>ll</sup>  
 Allen Tertius from serving as Constable by paying one Pound  
 Five Shillings upon Demand 30ly Jonathan Herrick Chosen Con-  
 stable 31ly Voted to Lett to Sam<sup>ll</sup> Morgan Little Crow Island;  
 and the way Leading to said Island he keeping a good Gate to  
 pass and repass, for Ten Shillings. 32ly The Meeting adjourned  
 to the Fourth Day of June next Ensuing.

At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned And meet  
 to Gather on Mondy y<sup>e</sup> fourteenth Day of May Anno Domini 1744

In order to Chuse A Repersantivie to Repersent us In a Grate And Generall Court to be heild at Boston firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Voted not to Chouse A Repersantivie having y<sup>e</sup> Lebertry of the Law so to Do 3ly Voted that the Selectmen shall be A Comitty to apply themselves to a Seuttebell Person to Prepare [26] a Pretion to y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court for sum relese under our Decaing Surcomstances At a Town meeting in Manchester Leagely warned and meet to Gather Seventh Day of May Anno Domini 1744 In order to Know the minds of the Peopole of y<sup>e</sup> Town Consaring having y<sup>e</sup> pulpot supplied firstly Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater 2ly Voted to Chouse A commity of 3 men to Go And advise with M<sup>r</sup> Weggelworth M<sup>r</sup> Cheepman M<sup>r</sup> Champny & M<sup>r</sup> Warren And to Tack their Advice In our Reselment of a Pastar 3<sup>d</sup> Voted for A Cometty Daken Benj:<sup>a</sup> Lee Jonathan Herrick And Josiah Ingarrison to go And Advise with y<sup>e</sup> Above s<sup>d</sup> Gentelmen to Adgorne the meeting to mondy y<sup>e</sup> forteenth Day of this Instant May at teen of y<sup>e</sup> Clock In y<sup>e</sup> forenoon 4ly Voted upon agornment to apply our savels to M<sup>r</sup> Moses Hall In order to here him Prach sum time among us.

At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned & Meet to Gather on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Day of July Anno Domini 1744 In order to Chouse 2 men to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jure of Triels at our Next Inferer Cort of Common Pleas to be Holden at Salam on y<sup>e</sup> second Tusday of this Instent July firstly M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee & Paul Leach Chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Pety Jury At a Town metting In Manchester Leagely warned and meet to gather on the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of August Annoq 1744 In order to Chouse a County Rigester M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned and meet to gather on the 22 Day of october Annoq Domini 1744 In order to Chouse 2 Jury men the one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury the other to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Juery of Trials at our Nex Sup<sup>r</sup>. [27] Court of Judicatuery Cort of asizes And Generall Gold Delivery to be holden at Salem on the secont Tusday of November Next firstly M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Chosen Moderator 2ly M<sup>r</sup> Josiah Ingerson Chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 3ly Isrell ffooster Chosen to sarve on ye Jury of Triyels At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagaely warned And meet to Gather on the 21 Day December Anno Domini 1744 In order to Choves three Jury men the one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Juery the



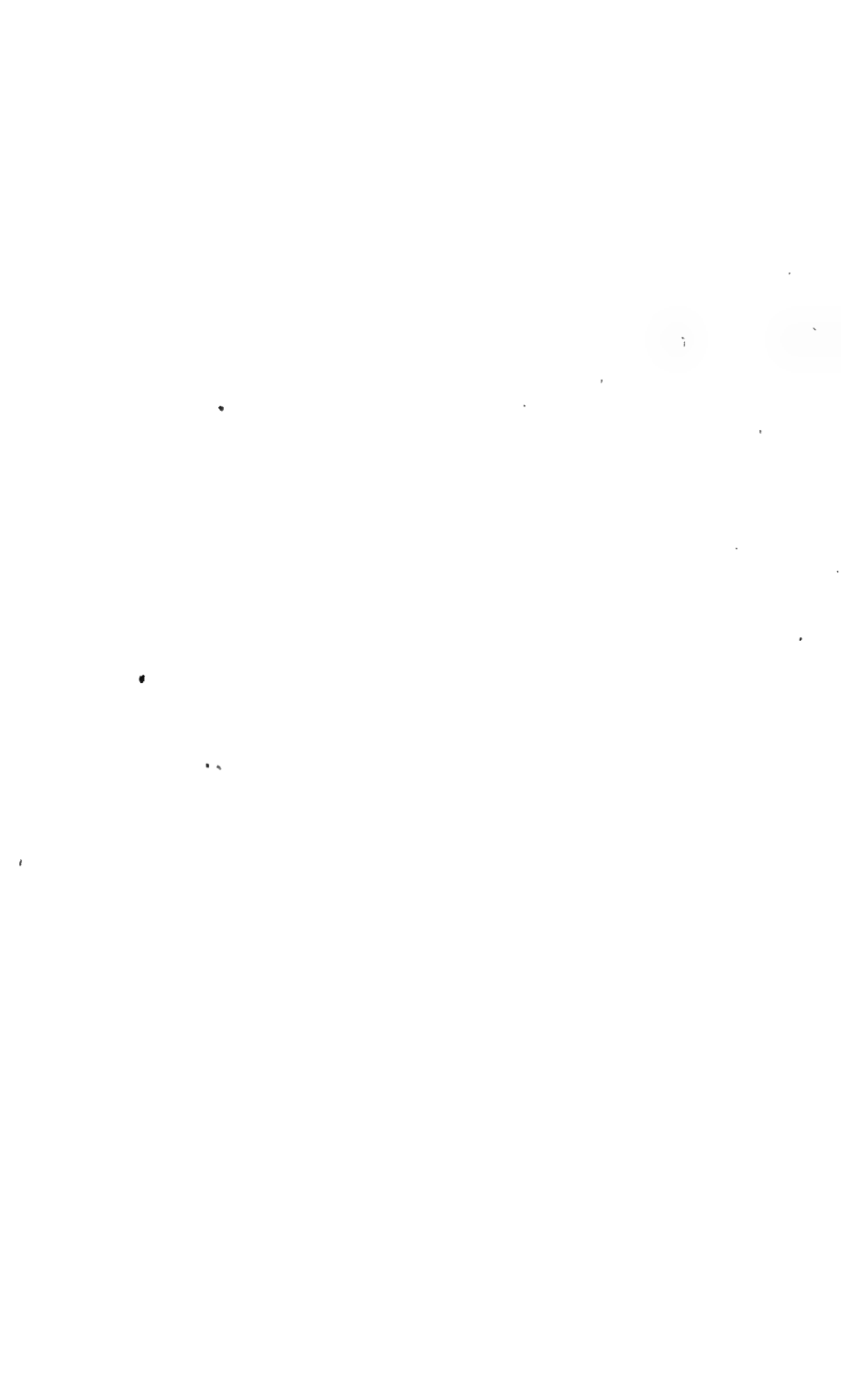




other to sarve on the Jury Triales at our Next Infere Court of Comon pleas to be Holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tusday of this Instant December firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater 2ly Aaron Bennet Chosen Grand Juery man 3ly Jeremiah Allen & Benj.<sup>a</sup> Osment Chosen Juery Tryels At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned And meet to gather on Tusday the first Day of Juanery Anno Domini 1744/5 In order to Know the minds of y<sup>e</sup> people where they will Give M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Robords A Call And what Incorigement thay will give him firstly M<sup>r</sup>. John Lee Sen<sup>r</sup>. Chosen Moderater 2ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Robords A Call Into the work of y<sup>e</sup> Gospall Ministry Amongst us 3ly Voted to Give to support a Gospall Minister £250 Old tener money for A Salary pr Annum 4ly Voted to Give A Gospall Minister for His Settellment amongst us £400 old tener money & pay £100 pr year till we have pad the £400 5ly Voted that Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> shall be a Committy man to Joyn with M<sup>r</sup>. John Lee sen<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Herrick to offer y<sup>e</sup> Town proposell And tree with M<sup>r</sup>. Robords Concerning Setteling with us 6ly Voted that the Commety shall offer M<sup>r</sup> Robords the ves of y<sup>e</sup> Ministry Land Belonging to the Town of Manchester [28] the meeting agorned to the seckond Mondy In febevery at Nine of y<sup>e</sup> Clock In the foroone At a Gorment of y<sup>e</sup> meeting meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> second Mondy In febevery wich is y<sup>e</sup> 11 Day Voted to Disovel y<sup>e</sup> meeting At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warned And Meet to geather on y<sup>e</sup> Eleventh Day of March Anno Domini 1744/5 In order to Chouse Town officers to serve y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>a</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick Chosen moderater the meeting Is Adgorned to Mondy y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instance at Eight of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> adgornment at y<sup>e</sup> time and place apinted firstly Robert Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick Chosen Selectmen 2ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Chosen Town Clerk 3ly John Tuck Chosen Constabell 4ly Richard Coye Chosen Town Tras<sup>r</sup>. 5ly Voted to Choose the Rast of Town officers by hand vote 6ly Chosen for Sevarys of Highway Ebenezer Tuck<sup>s</sup> Thomas Lee Benj<sup>a</sup>. osment<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> 7ly Voted that Hoges shall Go at Large 8ly voted for hogreves Ebenezer Tuck<sup>s</sup> Andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup> Richard Coye<sup>s</sup> Robert Knowlton<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Carter<sup>s</sup> 9ly Chosen for Howards Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>.

10ly Chosen for Servayrs of fines John ffo<sup>s</sup>ter sen.<sup>r</sup> Jonathan  
 Herrick Decan Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee 11ly Chosen for tything men Benj<sup>a</sup>.  
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 of wats And Marsuers 13ly Chosen John Lee sen.<sup>r</sup>. for marsuer And  
 marker of tember & Bords 14ly Chosen Dacken Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee for  
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 John Edwards 16ly Chosen Ebenezer Tuck for Inspator of Dear  
 17ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen shall be Assess<sup>r</sup>. to  
 Assess y<sup>e</sup> town 18ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>rs</sup>. Shall Assess the  
 town sixty tow pounds teen shilling to Defray y<sup>e</sup> Charges of  
 praching 19ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Asses<sup>r</sup>. shall Assess y<sup>e</sup> town fifteen  
 pounds to Defray y<sup>e</sup> Charge of Keeping A Gramer School 20ly  
 Voted y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>r</sup>. shall Assess y<sup>e</sup> town twenty five pounds to De-  
 fray town Charges 21ly Voted for A Commety to suply the Pul-  
 pot Robert Herrick John Lee [29] sen.<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. John  
 Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Richard Coye Jonathan Herrick And John Edwards  
 22ly to Abate M<sup>r</sup>. John orsment sen.<sup>r</sup>. of the Hire of y<sup>e</sup> Ministry  
 Land 9/ 23ly Voted to Let y<sup>e</sup> minister Land by y<sup>e</sup> meeting house  
 to John Tuck for 20/ 24ly voted to Let y<sup>e</sup> minister Land by y<sup>e</sup> pound  
 Both upoland And march to Benj<sup>a</sup>. orsment for 40/7 25ly Voted to  
 Let y<sup>e</sup> ministray Land by miliets swomp so Caled to Benj. orsment  
 for 15/6 26ly Voted to Let y<sup>e</sup> Baring place to Robert Herrick for  
 5/ 27ly voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen shall sell & Dispose of y<sup>e</sup> old  
 Hamlocks & pines on y<sup>e</sup> ministray Lots for y<sup>e</sup> Benetfit of s<sup>d</sup> town  
 28ly voted that y<sup>e</sup> selectmen shall be A commety to Agree with  
 some Gramor Schoole Marster to y<sup>e</sup> Amount of £15 29ly voted  
 to Let y<sup>e</sup> Town warff to Robert Herrick & John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. for 7/6  
 Att A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warned and meet to  
 gather on mondy y<sup>e</sup> twentyeth Day of May Anno Domini 1745 In  
 order to Chous A Repersantive to Repersent us in A grat and  
 Generall Court to be heild at Boston firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick  
 Chosen moderater 2ly voted Not to send any Repersantive hav-  
 ing the Libert of the Law so to Do 3ly voted that the Commyty  
 formaly Chosen to settell Ipswich Line shall advize with some  
 Layear Concaring Suing Ipswich people for a Line

At A Town meeting In manchester Leagely warned and meet  
 to Gather on thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of June Anno Domini 1745  
 In order to Chouse 2. men to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of tryil at our Next





Inferer Cort of Common pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> second tuesday of July Next Insuing firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater 2ly Josep Kight & Jonithen Allen Chosen for Jure men

At a Town meeting in Manchester Leagely warned And meet to gather on Monday the 22 Day July Anno Domini 1745 In order to Know the minds of y<sup>e</sup> people of the town where they will Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen a Call And what Incorrigement they will give him firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen moderater 2ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen a call Into the work of the Gospell Ministry amongst us 3ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen to suport the Gospell ministry amongst us £250 old tener for a salray per annum 4ly Voted to give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen for his sattellment amoingst us £400 old tener money And pay one £100 pr year till we have paid the holl £400 5ly voted M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coye And M<sup>r</sup> John Edwards shall be Commety men to Joyen with the church Commety In order to treet with M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Topen. At A Town meeting in Manchester Leagely warned and meet to gather on monday the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of November Anno Domini 1745 In order to Chovse two Jury men the one sarve on y<sup>e</sup> jury of triall the other on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury at our Next Sup<sup>r</sup> Court of Judicatuery Cort of Asizes And Generall Gold Delevery to be holden at Salem on the second Tusday of this Instance Nov<sup>r</sup> firstly M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderater 2ly John Lee sen chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 3ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Triyals.

[30] At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagell warned and meet to gather on Monday the Eleventh Day of Nov<sup>r</sup> Anno Domini 1745 firstly Mr. Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan Two Hundred & Sixty pounds old tener money yearly And Settell it upon a Selver Standard 3ly voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan for a Setteltment that Dwelling House Barn Lettel house & all the Land And trees within the fince as it now stands that was formerly Ezekieil Goodels Late of Manchester Desecd — it can be Boght at a Resnebell Rate 4ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan In Case the above s<sup>d</sup> Goodels House and Land cannot be boght In Leu thereof the sum of five Hundred pounds old tener money for a Setteltment with us In y<sup>e</sup> Gospell ministry: And paying two Hundred pounds the first year And one Hundred pr year for the three Next fowling years 5ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan shall the Vse And Improvement of the ministry Land is in the Town of Manchester Excepting the Ministry Wood

Lots : During s<sup>d</sup> time M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan shall be our Minister the Town Humbely prayeth your speddey complynce with the above s<sup>d</sup> Vots the meeting is agorned to two oclock In the after Noon In order to reseve M<sup>r</sup> Toppans answer

[31] November the Eleventh Seventeen Hundred forty-five To the Town of Manchester Dear Sirs : Since you have thought fit to Give me the subscriber an invitation to settle in the ministry among you I here Declare my Compliance with your invitation upon the following Conditionns Viz : 1ly that you Give me two hundred & sixty pounds old tener per annum and settle it upon a Silver Standard 2ly that you Give me for a Settlement that Dwelling House Barn Orchard and all the Land w<sup>th</sup>in the fence as it now stands which were formerly the property of Ezekiel Goodel Late of Manchester Deceased in case the same can be bought at A Reasonable Rate, that is if you Give the Dwelling house Barn &c to me for my own property or 3ly in Case the above mentioned House Barn &c Cant be obtained : that you Gave me the sum of four Hundred & fifty pound old tener money when Called for towards a settlement among you. 4ly that you Grant me the vse of the ministry Land that is in the town of manchester During the time I shall be Continued in the ministry among you.

A true Coppy of M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan

Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan

Ancrow to the town of Manchester A<sup>tt</sup>pr me John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> T Clerk upon the Agernment of the meeting it was Voted as fowleth 6ly Voted A Complynce with M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan Ancoer In Nov<sup>r</sup> 11 1745 7ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup> Richard Coy John Lee sen<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick John Edwards Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> And Andrew Hooper shall be A commety to Make A Covenant Between M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan and the Town of Manchester 8ly Voted that the presant Selectimen Namly M<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Herrick Shall be a commety to Bargen And by the afore manched House Barn Land &c that was Ezeckill Goodels Decesed And Receve Deeds & pas Deeds to M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan : And also Hire money in the Town of Manchester Behalf And to Give Bond In s<sup>d</sup> Town Behalf to pay for the s<sup>d</sup> Land &c.

the meeting is agorned to monday the twenty fifth Day of this Instance November Anno Domini 1745 at Eight of the Clock In the forenoon at the Agornment of s<sup>d</sup> meeting was voted as foloweth 1ly Voted that the Asserss shall Assess the town of Man-







chester £250 pounds old tener money twords M<sup>r</sup> Toppan's Settlement And Bying of powder the meeting is agorned to sartdy y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Day of December Next Insuing at Eight of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> fornoon firstly Voted upon the agorment that the Covenant made Between M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Topan & the Town of Manchester by the affore s<sup>d</sup> Comety Is Excepted & Complied with by s<sup>d</sup> Town 2ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> tow Hundred & fifty pounds old tener money that M<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Herrick all of Mancl<sup>r</sup> Hired of Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Esqu<sup>r</sup> of Marbelehead And Gave Bond the Second Day of December Anno Domini 1745 Shall be pad to the affore s<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Herrick at or before the Second Day of December Next Insuing with what Intras the affore s<sup>d</sup> Bond Demands & That is if the affore s<sup>d</sup> men shall Bring a Recet from M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan of the affore s<sup>d</sup> Money We whose names are Hereunto Subscribed Being A Committee Chosen & Impowered by the Town of Manchester In New England to Agree & Covenant In s<sup>d</sup> Town's Behalf with M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan who has Lately in a Legal meeting of s<sup>d</sup> Town been Called & Made Choise off to carry on the work of the Gospell Ministry among us and who has promised & Ingaged so to do : I o agree with And Confirm to Him as followeth viz —

1 Wee promise to Give M<sup>r</sup> Toppan four Hundred And fifty pounds old tener towards his Settlement and pay the same when Demended 2 We promise Him yearly one Hundred & forty Eight ounces of Silver or Bills of Publick Credit Equel to 148 Ounces, and that we promise to Give Him both In Sickness & health During the whole time & tarm of His being our Minister or Standing in a Pastoral Relation to the Church of Christ in this place we 3 we agree that M<sup>r</sup> Toppan's salary Commence the first Day of April Next.

[33] 4 We promise that one half of his Salary Shall be paid him yearly the first of October and the other half of it at the end of y<sup>e</sup> year viz the Last of March 5 We promise that M<sup>r</sup> Toppan Shall have the vse & Improvment of all the Ministry Land in the Town of Manchester wich is Inclosed by fence at this Day, and this we promise Him so Long as he Shall Continue in y<sup>e</sup> ministry among us 6 We promise And Ingage him a Sufficiency of fire Wood for His own family on the Ministry Wood Lot of the aforesaid Town and also the herbage on the same. 7 we Declare it our Intent & Design to Cut & Hale M<sup>r</sup> Toppan fire wood not absolutely engag-

ing to Cut And Hale it Lest the same shuld Come to be a Town Charge 8 We promise the Contribution Box shall be Held every Lords Day & that all the money Contributed shall be Converted to M<sup>r</sup> Toppan's use.

Now in Witness & Confirmation of all & singular the Articles and Clauses Herein Contained we Have set too our Hands & Seals this sixth Day of December Anno Domini 1745

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| John Edwards                              | Richard Coye               |
| Benja <sup>a</sup> Lee                    | John Lee                   |
| Jonathan Allen Jun <sup>r</sup>           | Robert Herrick             |
| Benja <sup>a</sup> Allen Jun <sup>r</sup> | John Lee Jun <sup>r</sup>  |
| Andrew Hooper                             | Sam Allen Jun <sup>r</sup> |
|   | Jonathan Herrick.          |

Manchester December 16 1745 This Day I receivd of Cap<sup>t</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick and M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick the Sum of two Hundred and fifty pounds old tener in part for procuring me a Settlement in the above s<sup>d</sup>. town Benja<sup>a</sup>. Toppan

[34] At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagely warrened And meet to Gather on Tusday the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of December Anno Domini 1745 In order to Chouse Jury men the one for the Grand Jury the Rast on the Jury of Tryles for our Next Infear Cort of Common pleas to be holden at Salem the Last Tusday of December firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick Chosen Modrater 2ly Jonathan Harsham Grand Juryman 3ly Chosen for Jury of Tryels Josiah allen and Sam<sup>l</sup>. Stone for the peety Jury

At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warrened And meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> seventeenth Day of March Anno Domini 1745/6 In order to Chouse Town Officers to sarve y<sup>e</sup> said Town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing: firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Herrick chosen Modorater 2ly chosen for Select men Robert Herrick John<sup>s</sup> Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick 3ly chosen for Town Clerk John Lee 4ly Chosen for A Constable Jeremiah allen 5ly Chosen for Town Tras<sup>r</sup>. Richard Coye 6ly Voted to Chuse y<sup>e</sup> Rast of y<sup>e</sup> Town offices by a hand vote 7ly Chosen for severyers of Highways Richard Coye Jonathan Herrick Jacob Hooper Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. John Herrick 8ly voted that Hogs Shall Go at Large 9ly Voted for Hog Reves George Cros sen<sup>r</sup> William Badcock sen<sup>r</sup>. Elisha allen Jonathan Herrick John Edwards Benja<sup>a</sup> Jewett 10ly Chosen for Howards Andrew Hooper Jonathan





Herrick Elisha Allen Sam<sup>s</sup><sup>11</sup>. Cartor 11ly Chosen for Servayrs of  
 finces Richard Coye Thomas Lee Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lee 12ly Chosen for Ty-  
 thing men Robert Knowlton John Allen John Orsment 13ly Cho-  
 sen for seler of wates & marsuers Thomas Lee 14ly Chosen for a  
 marsuer & marker of Tember Thomas Lee 15ly Chosen Daken  
 Benj Lee for Selear of Lather 16ly Chosen for Cordors of Wood  
 Thomas Lee John Edwards 17ly Chosen for Enspater of Dear  
 Ebeneser Tuck 18ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men This Day Chosen be  
 assessers to assess the Town of Manchester for y<sup>e</sup> year Inceuing  
 19ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessers this Day chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town  
 for the Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan Salary the sum of £65=0=0 20ly  
 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessers shall assess the Town £22 : 10 : 0 to ward  
 y<sup>e</sup> Defraying the Charge of Keeping a gramor school marster 21ly  
 Voted that the Assessers shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town for the Remaining  
 part of y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. Benj<sup>a</sup>. Toppan Settlemant amongst us & to De-  
 fray Town Charges the sum of £83 : 0 : 0 22ly Chosen for Consta-  
 ble [35] Jonathan Allen Jun. And pad his fine 23ly Chosen for  
 Constable Ebenezer Tuck And pad His fine 24ly Chosen for Con-  
 stable Aaron Bennet Jun. And pad his fine 24ly Chosen for Con-  
 stable Jacob Hooper 25ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen shall Let the  
 Town Warff Barring place schoole Land Lettel Crow Island And  
 y<sup>e</sup> ways to y<sup>e</sup> same

At a Town meeting In manchester Leagely warnned & meet to  
 gather on monday y<sup>e</sup> Nintenth Day of may anno Domini 1746 In  
 order to Chouse a Repersantive to Repersent us in a grat and Gen-  
 erall Cort to be hild at Boston firstly M<sup>r</sup> John Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. Chosen  
 Modrater 2ly Voted not to send any parson to Repersent us hav-  
 ing the Lebery of y<sup>e</sup> Law so to Do.

At A Town meeting In manchester Leagely warnned and meet  
 to Gather on Tuorsday the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of July Anno Domini 1746 In  
 order to Chuse 2 Jury men firstly Richard Day & malachi Allen  
 Chosen for Jury of Trioyls

At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warnned and meet  
 to Gather on mondy the thord Day of November Anno Domini  
 1746 In order to Chouse two Jury men the one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand  
 Jury the other on the Jury of trialls at our Next Sup<sup>r</sup> Cort Judic-  
 atuary Cort of Assizes And Generall Gold Delevery to Be holden  
 at Salem on the Second Tuesday of this Instant November firstly

M<sup>r</sup>. Robort Herrick Chosen modrater 2ly Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Chose Grand Jury man 3ly Androw Hooper Chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury Trioyls Att A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely Warrned and meet to gather on thorsday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty fift Day of December anno Domini 1746 In order to Chuse 3 Jury men one to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury the Rast to sarve on the Jury of Triols firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick Chosen Moddarater 2ly Benj<sup>n</sup>. Allen Jun. Chosen to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 3ly William Badcock & Azariah Allen Chosen to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trioyls

[36] At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely Warrned and meet to gather on y<sup>e</sup> sixteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1746/7 In order to Chouse Town officers to Sarve y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year In seuing firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Robort Herrick Chosen Modrater 2ly Chosen for Selectmen John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick & Thomas Lee 3ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Chosen Town Clerk 4ly Richard Coye Chosen Town Tres<sup>r</sup>. 5ly Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Chosen Constable 6ly Voted to Chouse the Rast of y<sup>e</sup> Town officers by Hand Vote And all other Bisness 7ly Chose in for sarvars of Hightways Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>ll</sup> Cartor Richard Leach & Androw Hooper 8ly Voted that Hogs shall go at Large 9ly Chosen for Hogereves John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick John Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick & Jacob Hooper 10ly Chosen for Howard Sam<sup>ll</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup>. orsment Jacob Hooper Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup> 11ly Chosen for Sarvars of finces Richard Coye John Herrick Robort Knowlton And Androw Hooper 12ly Chosen for 'tizing men John Edwards Jacob Allen & Benj<sup>a</sup>. orsment 13ly Chosen for Selear of Wates & marshuers Thomas Lee 14ly Chosen for a marsuer of Tember & Bords Thomas Lee 15ly Chosen for a Seleather of Lather David Presson Jun<sup>r</sup> 16ly Chosen for Cordors of Wood Thomas Lee John Edwards Richard Coye 17ly Chosen for Inspeter of Dear Ebenezer Tuck 18ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day chosen shall be Assesrs to Assess y<sup>e</sup> Town for y<sup>e</sup> year Inseuing 19ly Voted to Give the Rav<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup>. Toppan for his Convenented Salray £75—0—0 20ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup>. Toppan £5—0—0 for y<sup>e</sup> year Inseuing in y<sup>e</sup> Lieu of Cuting & Hiling His wood 21ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assess<sup>r</sup> shall assess the Town £30—0—0 to-







wards Defraying A Gramor School 22ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> [37] Selectmen Shall Layout y<sup>e</sup> money Rased for y<sup>e</sup> school 23ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assess<sup>r</sup>. shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town to Defray Town Charges £20—0—0 24ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen shall Leat y<sup>e</sup> Town Warff y<sup>e</sup> barren pleas Lettel Crow Iland And y<sup>e</sup> way Leading to it y<sup>e</sup> Landing pleas on marstus pint School Land for y<sup>e</sup> most thay can git And Gravies Iland so Caled the Warff Leat to John Orsment for 39/6 old tener the Landing Pleas upon marstus pint Leat to Ebenezer Tuck for 35<sup>s</sup>/ old tener the Baring p'eas Leat to M<sup>r</sup>. Robort Herrick for 25<sup>s</sup>/ old tener Graves Iland Leat to M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen Jun. for 37<sup>s</sup>/ old tener School Land Leat to Benj<sup>a</sup>. orsmint for 55<sup>s</sup>/ old tener

At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warnned and meet to Gather on Mondy the six Day of July anno Domini 1747 In order to Chouse 2 Jurey men firstly Joseph Lee & John Allen Chosen Jury men. At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warnned and meet to gather on the third Day of Nov. Anno Domini 1747 In order to Chouse two Jurymen y<sup>e</sup> one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury y<sup>e</sup> other to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of triyals at our Next Sup<sup>r</sup>. Cort of Judicatuery Cort of Assizes And Gold Delevry to Beholden at Salem on the Second Tusday of this Instant Nov<sup>r</sup>. firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Richard Coye Chosen Modreater 2ly John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Chosen for to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 3ly John florster Jun<sup>r</sup>: to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury trioyls Att A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warnned and meet to gather on monday y<sup>e</sup> twenty first Day of Decem<sup>r</sup>. anno Domini 1747 In order to Chouse 3 Jury men : firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robort Herrick Chosen modderator 2ly John Tuck Chosen to Sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 3ly David Prasson & Jacob allen Chosen to sarve on the Jury of troiyils

[38] At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagely warnned and meet to Gather on Monday the Eighteenth Day of May anno Domini 1747 In order to Choose A Representative to Represent us In A grat and generall Cort to be Hild at Boston firstly m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick Chosen Modrator 2ly Voted Not to send any Parson to Represent us Having the Lebert of the Law So to Do At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally Warned And met togethair On y<sup>e</sup> fourteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1747/8 In Order To Chuse Town officers To Serve the said Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 1<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Moderator 2<sup>d</sup> Chosen for Select Men

Jonathan Herrick Rich<sup>d</sup> Lee Robert Herrick 3<sup>d</sup> Chosen for A Town Clerk Richard Lee

4<sup>th</sup> Chosen for A Town Treasurer Richard Coye

5<sup>th</sup> Chosen for A Constable Sam<sup>l</sup>. Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> & Excepted in his Room

John Allen 6<sup>th</sup> Voted to Chuse the Rest of y<sup>e</sup> Town officers and Do all other Business Nesesity to be Done at this Present meeting By A hand Vote 7<sup>th</sup> Chosen for Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> High Ways

John Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Orsment Robert Knowlton Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgan

8<sup>th</sup> Voted that Swine shall go at Large 9<sup>th</sup> Chosen for Hogg Re-veres Benjamin Orsment Rich<sup>d</sup> Coye John Orsment & Richard Day

and Andrew Hooper 10<sup>th</sup> Chosen for Howards Jonathan Herrick

John Tuck John Herrick & John Allen 11<sup>th</sup> Chosen for fence

Vewers Rich<sup>d</sup> Coye Benjamin Lee Jonathan Allen Jacob Hooper

12<sup>th</sup> Chosen for Tything Men Andrew Hooper William Badcock

Jun<sup>r</sup> & John Orsment 13<sup>th</sup> Chosen for A Sealer of Weights &

Measures Thomas Lee 14<sup>th</sup> Chosen to Measure Boards & Timber

Thomas Lee 15<sup>th</sup> Chosen for a Sealer of Lether David Presson

16<sup>th</sup> Chosen for Wood Corders Rich<sup>d</sup> Coye John Orsment & Andrew

Hooper 17<sup>th</sup> Chosen for an Inspector of Dear Benjamin Orsment

18<sup>th</sup> Voted the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan 25 [39] Pounds To make good

his Last years Salerey 19<sup>th</sup> Voted y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan 100 Pounds

Salerey y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 20<sup>th</sup> Voted 65 Pound Towards Supporting

A free Gramer School for y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing and y<sup>e</sup> same to be Laid

Out By the Select men as a Commete towards Defraying the Charge

of such A School 21<sup>st</sup> Voted 30 Pounds towards y<sup>e</sup> Defraying the

Nesesity Charges of y<sup>e</sup> town for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year 22<sup>d</sup> voted to

abate y<sup>e</sup> Rates for y<sup>e</sup> Head of M<sup>r</sup> John Orsment for y<sup>e</sup> year 1747.

23<sup>d</sup> Voted to Let Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgan Have y<sup>e</sup> Use of Litle Crow Island

& y<sup>e</sup> High Way Loading to it y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year for 30 shillings Law-

full money 24<sup>th</sup> Voted to Let M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Have y<sup>e</sup> Herbage

of y<sup>e</sup> Burying Place for 13/6 y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year 25<sup>th</sup> Voted to Let

M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Orsment Have y<sup>e</sup> herbage of y<sup>e</sup> School Land 5 years

a 35/ Lawfull money pr year and that y<sup>e</sup> select men shall give him

a Lease on Demand 26<sup>th</sup> Voted to Let Benjamin Orsment Have

y<sup>e</sup> Use of Graves Island for 10/6 Lawfull money y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year





27<sup>th</sup> Voted that Mes<sup>rs</sup> Robert Herrick Benjamin Lee & Jonathan Herrick shall Treat with the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan Concerning Geting him fire wood and make Report of their Doing at y<sup>e</sup> Town Meeting in May Next Ensuing 28<sup>th</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men Shall Be y<sup>e</sup> assessors for the Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 29<sup>th</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assessors of y<sup>e</sup> Town shall assess all the wood Land within y<sup>e</sup> Limits of y<sup>e</sup> same if y<sup>e</sup> Law Permit y<sup>m</sup> so to Do 30<sup>th</sup> Voted that Jonathan Allen shall Be abated 10/ of his Last year Rates for Transporting an Idiot from Town to Town Severall Times At A Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally Warned and Met together On the Eighteenth Day of May anno 1748 firstly M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick was Chosen Moderater 2<sup>d</sup> it is put to vote whether we should send a Representative To Represent us at A Great and General Court To be convened and Held at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston on the [41] 25 Day Instant and Vote In y<sup>e</sup> Negative Not to send one 3<sup>d</sup> The Commettee apointed Last march meeting To Treat With the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan about geting His firewood Report that M<sup>r</sup> Toppan will Be Content With our Geting Him Ten Cord of Wood yearly or thirty Pounds Old Tenor which we Leave to be Confirmed at Next March meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Voted that the Select men Shall see to the Getting of Ten Cord of Wood for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan this year on the Towns Charge 5<sup>th</sup> Voted that John ffoster Sen<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Jonathan Herrick Benjamin Lee John Allen and Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen and Rich<sup>d</sup> Lee Shall be Comety To Treat with Ipswich about setting the Bounds and Line Between said Town Viz Ipswich & Manchester. At A Town meeting In manchester Leagally warned and met together on the fifth Day of July Anno Domini 1748 In order To Chuse Jewry men to serve on the Petet Jewry in a Court at Salem To be Held on the Second Tuesday of July Instant 1<sup>st</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen Moderater 2<sup>d</sup> John Orsment & Jacob Hooper Chosen To serve on y<sup>e</sup> Petet Jury in y<sup>e</sup> Court aforesaid At A Town meeting In Manchester Leagally warned and met together on the third Day of Octo<sup>r</sup> 1748 In order to Choose Two Jury men one to sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury and the Other on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials To Be Held at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> third Teusday of Octo<sup>r</sup> Instant 1<sup>st</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen moderater for y<sup>e</sup> meeting 2<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury 3<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Robert Herrick Chosen To sarve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials [42] At A Town Meeting in Manchester leagely Worned and meet to gether on October y<sup>e</sup> the Seventeenth Day in the year 1748 in order to

Chuse a Selectman & Assessor and a Town Clerk 1 ly M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen Town Clerk 3ly Chosen Assessor and Selectman Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee At a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagelly Worned And Meet to Gether on Munday the Twelth Day of December anno Domini 1748 In Order to Chuse three Jurymen Firstly M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator For s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Jeremiah Allen Chosen Gran Jury man For the year insuing 3ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials Elisha Aallen & Paul Leach

At a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguely worned and meet to gether on the Thirteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1748-9 In order to Chuse Town Officers To serve s<sup>d</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year in suing Firstly Cap<sup>m</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for s<sup>a</sup> meeting 2ly Chosen for Select men Jonathan Herrick Andrew Hooper & Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee 3ly Chosen for Town Clerk Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee 4ly Chosen for Town Treasurer Thomas Lee 5ly Chosen for Constable Jonathan Harsham 6ly voted to Chuse the rest of the Town officers by a hand vote and all other Town Bisnes Nesesary on s<sup>d</sup> meeting [43] 7ly Chose for Serveyers of High Ways John Foster Jacob Hooper Richard Coye John Orsment 8ly voted that Hogs Shall go at Large the year Insuing Being youck<sup>d</sup> & Ringed 9ly Chosen for Hog Reviews Robart Knowlton John Edwards Joseph Woodbery Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> 10ly Chosen for Howards Samuell Allen sen<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment Jonathan Herrick Andrew Hooper William Badcock sn<sup>r</sup> 11ly Chosen for Serveyers of Fence Richard Coye Robart Herrick 12ly Chosen for Tithen men David Preson Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Lee 13ly Chosen for Seler of waits & measures Thomas Lee 14ly Chosen for seler of Lether David Preson Jun<sup>r</sup> 15ly Chosen for Cordors of wood Richard Coye John Orsment Andrew Hooper 16ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment 17ly Chosen for Pound Keeper Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment Paying twenty shilings old tener 18ly voted that the Select men This Day Chose shall Be Assessors for The year Insuing 19ly Voted that the Assessors shall Tax the Town 100 Pounds for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Toppens salary the year Insuing 20ly voted That the Assessors Shall Tax the Town of Manchester Fifty Pound to Keep a grauner School Master the year In Suing 21ly voted that the Assessers shall tax the Town Ten







Pounds to Defray Town Charges y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 22ly voted That the Select men shall agree with Som Person To Cut and Haul Ten Cord of Wood for Rev<sup>d</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen 23ly voted that Robart Herrick shall have the use of the Burying Place the year Insuing

for 2<sup>s</sup>=6<sup>d</sup> Cuting of y<sup>e</sup> Briers 3 tims 24ly Voted that John Orsment shall Have y<sup>e</sup> use of Graves Iland The year In suing for 10

Shilings 25ly voted That the Select men shall Pay out of the Town Stock To Thomas Lee Fifteen Shilings at<sup>d</sup> pr John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Moderater [44] At a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally worned And meet to gether on Munday the Twenty Second Day of May anno Domini 1749 In order to Chuse a Representative to Represent us in a great and generael Cort To be Holden at Boston Firstly M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick chosen Moderater 2ly voted not to send Any Person to Represent us at a grate and Generael Cort To Be Holden at Boston Haveing Liberty By Law

At a Town Meeting In Manches Leagally worned And meet together on Monday y<sup>e</sup> Third Day of July Anno Domini 1749 in order to Chuse 2 Jury men To serve on The Petit Jury for Trials at the next Cort of Common Pleas to be Holden at Salem on the second Tuesday of July Instant Firstly Benjamin Jewet and John Haskel Chosen For Jury men for the Cort afore s<sup>d</sup>

At a Town Meeting In Manchester Legually worned and meet to gether on munday the sixteenth Day of October 1749 In order to Chuse Jury men 1ly Jonathan Herri Choesn Moderater 2ly Chsen for granjurimen Thomas Lee and Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> 3ly Chosen for Jury of Trials Samuel Allen snr.

[45] Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Leangely worned And meet To gether on Tasday y<sup>e</sup> 19 Day of December anno Domini 1749 In Order to Chuse Jury men 1ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee was Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Joseph Knight Chosen Gran jury man 3ly Jacob Lee Chosen for Jury of Trials 4ly Ricard Day Chosen for Jury of Trials. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally Worned and meet To gether on the Twelfth Day of March anno Domini 1749-50 In Order to Chuse Town officers to serve s<sup>d</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year In suing Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee was Chosen Mod-erater for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Chosen for Select men Jonathan Herrick Andrew Hooper & Captn John Lee 3ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen Town Clark 4ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen was Chosen Constable 5ly voted to Take seven Pounds old tener for s<sup>a</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Allens fine for Not Serveing

Constable 6ly Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> was Chosen Town Treasurer 7ly  
 voted to Chuse the Rest of the Town Officers by a Hand Vote  
 8ly John Herrick Sam<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick & Andrew  
 Hooper was Chosen Serveyers of High ways 9ly Richard Coye  
 Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>s</sup> Lee Samuel Allen snr. and Jacob Hooper  
 Was Chosen Hog Reves 10ly Gorge Cross Robart Knowlton Wil-  
 liam Badcock Jun<sup>r</sup> John Allen and Benj<sup>s</sup> Orsment were Chosen  
 Howards 11ly Richard Coye John Herrick Thomas Lee Jonathan  
 Allen Junr was Chosen Serveyers of Fences 12ly Andrew Hoop-  
 er Jacob Hooper & [46] John Tukesbery was Chosen Tithen  
 Men 13ly Voted that Hogs shall go at Large the year insuing  
 Being Yoked and Ringed acording to Law 14ly Chosen for Sealer  
 of waits and Measures Thomas Lee 15ly Chosen for Measueror  
 of Timber and Bords Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> 16ly chosen for sealer of Leth-  
 er David Preson Junr 17ly Chosen for Corders of wood Thomas  
 Lee John Edwards Richard Coye<sup>s</sup> 18 Chosen for Inspector of Dear  
 Benj<sup>s</sup> Orsment 19ly voted That the Select men This Day Chosen  
 shall be Assessors To Assess the town the year In suing 20ly  
 John Orsment<sup>s</sup> was Chosen Constable for the year insuing he Re-  
 ceiving seven Pounds old Tener from the Town for his Servis as  
 Constable beside their Common allowance for gathering Rats 21ly  
 Voted that the Assessors shall assess the Town so much mony as  
 shall Parchis 48 ounces of Silver for the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Benj<sup>s</sup> Toppans  
 Sallary 22ly voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town  
 Manchs<sup>r</sup> so much Mony as will Pay for giting Mr Toppan 10 Cord  
 of firewood and Lay it out for that use 23 Voted that Their shall  
 be layed out 65 Pounds Mony To Defray the Charge of a gramer  
 School the year Insuing 24ly voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assessors shall Assess  
 the Town 60 Pound to Defray Town & School Charges 25ly Voted  
 that the Select men shall Be a Commite to lay out the mony Rais<sup>d</sup>  
 for a School in Defray the Charge of a Gramer School Master for  
 this Town y<sup>e</sup> year In suing 26ly Voted that Robart Herrick shall  
 have the use of the Burying Place for 7 : 6<sup>d</sup> this year insuing 27  
 voted That John Orsment shall have the use of graveses lland for  
 seven years to com Paying in To the Town Tresurer yearly Seven  
 Shilings and Six Pence pr year John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Modrator





[47] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally Warned and meet together on Munday the 21 Day of May Anno Domini 1750 In order to Chuse A Representative to represent us at a great and Generael Cort to be holden at Boston on the 30 Day of this Instant May 1ly mr Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for s<sup>a</sup> meeting 2ly it was Put to vote wether the Town would send a Representative and it was voted in the Negative not to send any Person Haveing Liberty by Law Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly worned and meet together on Munday 2<sup>th</sup> Day of July Anno Domini 1750 In order to Chuse Jury Men Firstly Samuel Stone S<sup>r</sup> Chosen Juryman 2ly William Badcock Juner Chosen Juryman Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly worned and meet Together On Munday y<sup>e</sup> 8 Day of October 1750 anno Domini In order to Choose three Jurymen Two on the grand Jury and the other one on the Jury of Trials at the nex Super<sup>or</sup> Cort of Judicature To be holden at Salem on The Tuesday of This Instant October Firstly Robart Herrick and Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen To serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury 2 ly John Edwards was Chosen To serve on the Jury of Trials

Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly Worned and meet together on munday 10<sup>th</sup> Day of Decemb<sup>r</sup> Anno Domini 1750 In order To Chuse 3 Jurymen Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meetin 2ly Andrew Hooper Chosen Gran Juryman for y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 3ly Samuel Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> and Ambrus Allen was chosen To serve on the Jury of Trials

[48] Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly worned And meet together on munday the 4 Day of March 1750/51 anno Do In order to Chuse Town Officers To serve s<sup>d</sup> Town the year Insuing firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Chosen for Select Men Captn John Lee Jonathan Herrick and Andrew Hooper 3ly Benjamin Lee Chosen Town Clerk 4ly Thomas Lee Chosen Town Treasures 5ly Richard Day Chosen Constable 6ly voted to Chuse the Rest of the Town Officers by a hand vote 7ly Chosen for Serveyers of highways Jacob Allen Joseph Knight John Orsment and John Lee Snr 8ly Chosen for hoge reves Samuel Carter Joseph Knight John Tewxbery and John Orsment 9ly Chosen for Howards Jonathan Herrick William Badcock Jun<sup>r</sup> John Tuck & Andrew Hooper 10ly Chosen for Serveyars of fences Andrew Hooper Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Richard Coy Robart Knowlton 11ly Chosen for Tithen men John Orsment &

John Edwards 12ly Chosen Seler of waits and measures Thomas Lee 13ly Chosen for Measureor of Bords and Timber Thomas Lee and John Lee s<sup>nr</sup> 14ly Chosen for Corders of wood Benj<sup>a</sup> Jewett William Badcock Junr and Samuel Carter 15ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment 16ly voted that the Assessors To assess y<sup>e</sup> Town the year Insuing shall be the Present Select men 17ly voted that the Present Select Men shall order the Town Treasurer To give the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen Ten pounds Lawful money out of the Town Stock 18ly voted That the Assessors shall assess the Town 148 ounces of Silver money for Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppens Sallary the year Insuing 19ly voted that the Select men shall git cut and Halled to Mr Toppens Doar 10 Cord of fire wood This presen year from the Ministry land in best maner 20ly Chosen for Seler of Lether David Preson Jun<sup>r</sup> 21ly voted that the Assessors shall assess the Town Thirty Pound Lawful money To Defray the Charge of a gramer School master y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing [49] 22ly voted That the Select men shall be a Commite To Provid A School master the year Insuing 23ly voted That the Assessors shall assess the Town 25 Pounds to Defray Town Charges y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing 24ly voted To Repear the Meeing house in Manchester this year 25 the meeting is adjourned to the 18<sup>th</sup> of March Instant Meet on the above s<sup>d</sup> adjournment 1ly voted to Bye the front Row of Pues in the front gallary and the front seats on the side gellary and the mens Seats below on the flor for y<sup>e</sup> Town 2ly voted that the Proprietors in the Meeting house In Manchester And the Non propritors vote together in Town Meeting in the affair under consideration viz for Repearing or Inlarging the said Meeting house any Law or Reason to the Contrary notwithstanding 3ly voted that the town grant a tax on poles & Estates for Raising The sum of Forty five pounds Lawful Money for Defraying One half of the Charge of Repearing of the Meeting house provided The Proprietors of the Seats in the Meeting house at a Legal Proprietors Meeting Rase a tax on their seats for the like sum of Forty Five pounds L. money for Defraying the other half of the charge of said repears of wich if thay fail then the above vote to bee of no force nor vertue and also voted To grant Liberty To Benj.<sup>a</sup> Marston Esq and Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> and their associates in case they cannot be provided with seats in the Meeting house to their satisfaction to make an inlargement of said house at their one Cost and for there accomodation In manner as hereafter is Ex-







pressed viz. to carry the South East side of the house nine or ten feet Back where side may be about 45 feet and take a Rafter running on the same slope with the old house to remove the pulpit back and make a Range of Pews along by the wale and leave a small alley between the new Pews and the present wall Pews and to make sides to the Present wale Pews in maner like the other work And to lengthen the gallery at our one Cost & for our advantage And Compleat the hole in Anno 1751 or not at tall 4ly voted to give the plank and girts and Cords & Plarstering of the South East side of the Meeting house to the sd Benj<sup>a</sup> Marston & Samuel Allen & their associates to enable them To carry on the inlargment above mentioned [50] 5ly voted that the Town and Proprietors out of their Jont Stock of money for Repeating the Meeting house Be at the Charge of four window frames of like Dementions with the Others & sashes and glase and pulpit windows And Place them on South East side of y<sup>e</sup> inlargment and That thay out of the before mentioned Stock Clabórd as many Square feet on the Out side of the Inlargment as there are Square feet Clabbordering now on the S East Side of the Meeten house 6ly voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town 25 pounds Lawful money to Defray Town Charges the year Insuing 7 Voted that if the oners of the front Pews Refuse to sell them then the Town to Build a seat before said Pews vote 8ly that Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Allen Junr. Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee and Robart Knowlton shall be a Commite to repear the Meeting house In Manchester 9ly voted that the Commit Chosen To Repear the meeting house In Manchester namely Sam<sup>ll</sup> Lee Jn. Jonathan Allen Junr. Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee and Robart Knowlton shall be a Com-mite To agree with y<sup>e</sup> oners of The Pews and seats in the Meeting house and bye the same For the Town of Manchester as Cheap as thay Can 10ly voted To Build a Stephel To the Meeting house In Manchester in the year 1752 11ly voted the Commite Chosen to Repear the Meeting house shall Provide Timber In the Insuing winter To build the afore said Stephel 12ly the Meeten Is ajorned to the 1 Day of April at 2 of the Clock in the after noon Meet to gether on the Jornment above mentioned 1ly voted to abat Benj<sup>a</sup> orsment 2 fifths of the 5 years Rent of the School land he haveing no Liberty to Cut any wood and to Prosecute any that shall cut on s<sup>d</sup> land Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly worned And Mett Together on Tusday 21<sup>th</sup> Day of May Anno Domini

1751 In order to Chuse a Representative to Represent us at a great And generael Court to be holden att Boston on the 29 Day of this Instant May 1ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for this present meeting 2ly It was Put to vote wether thay would send a Representative and it was voted in the Negetive not to send one Having Liberty by Law 3ly voted that the Town Is willing to sell for a Valleyable Consideration To Coll. Benj<sup>a</sup> Marston of Manchester Esq The South Dore way and the alley between the Pue Belong to Nathaniel Lee Dece<sup>d</sup> and that Pue belong to Deacon Jonathan Herrick And others In Manchester If s<sup>d</sup> Marston will give the Town an aquittance of the Priviledge of building an addission to the Easterly Side of the Meeting house in Manch<sup>s</sup> and we Impour The present Select men to agree with s<sup>d</sup> Marston for the all y<sup>e</sup> above Dore way and give [51] s<sup>d</sup> Marston an a thenteck Deed thereof To him and his heirs But if s<sup>d</sup> Select Men & Benj<sup>a</sup> Marston Esq Do not agree upon the Price of the Dore way then y<sup>e</sup> hole of the above vote to be voide

Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagully worned and Mett together on y<sup>e</sup> 8 of July y<sup>e</sup> 1751 In order To Chuse Jury Men and Dow the other hisness to be Don at s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of trials Samuel Carter and John Allen 3ly voted that the Commity Chosen by the Town of Mancheste in y<sup>e</sup> year 1750-1 To Repear the Meeting house namly Samuel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee & Robart Knowlton shall Take Down Any Pew or any Part of any Pue in the front of the front Gallary If the oners Refuse to sell the same to the town 4ly voted that the Present Select Men are hereby Impoured To sell To M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> for what thay think It Is worth the Rume in the North Stair way below In The Meeting House In Manchester with a small addission out of the alley that Leads out at the North Dore of s<sup>d</sup> house if s<sup>d</sup> Allen can geet y<sup>e</sup> oners of the Pew adjoinin to s<sup>d</sup> alley willing to Remove the same the above in Case the s<sup>d</sup> town Builds a Sephel to the Meeting house if not to be void and of none Effect 5ly voted that the Town o Manches<sup>r</sup> Shall pay any part of the Repears of the Meeting house wich s<sup>d</sup> Town shall Purchis of any Proprietor of s<sup>d</sup> Meeting House [52] Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly worned an Mett together on Tusday y<sup>e</sup> 8 Day October anno Domini 1751 In order to Chuse 4 Jury men 2 to serve on the grand Jury &





2 on the Jury of trials at the next Court to be holden at Salem and also Chuse a Committe to seat the Meeting house in Manchester

Firstly Cap<sup>t</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee & Samuel Allen Junr Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury 3ly Benjamin Allen And Jacob Hooper Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials 4ly Chosen for Commete Men to Seat the Meeting house Samuel Allen Sn<sup>r</sup> Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Malla-chi Allen and Dea Jonathan Herrick Att a Town Meeting In Man-chester Leaguallly wornd And Mett to gether on munday y<sup>e</sup> 16 Day December 1751 In order to Chuse 3 Jury men one to serve on the standing Grand Jury for the Insuing year & 2 to serve on the Jury of trials at the Nex Inferier Court of Common Pleas To be Holden at Salem 1ly Dea<sup>cn</sup> Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meet-ing 2ly Josiah Allen Chosen to serve grand Jury man 3ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials John Pears & Benj<sup>a</sup> Leach Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly wornd And mett Together on 16<sup>th</sup> Day of March Anno Dom<sup>i</sup> 1752 In order to Chuse Town Officers to serve s<sup>d</sup> Town the year Insuing Firstly Con<sup>bl</sup> Benjamin Marston Esq Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Chosen for Se-lectmen Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Dea Jonathan Herrick & Mr Thomas Lee 3ly Chosen for a Town Clerk Benjamin Lee 4ly Chosen for a Con-  
stable John Haskell 5ly Chosen for a Town Treasurer M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee 6ly voted to Chuse the rest of the Town Officers by a hand votes 7ly Chosen for Serveyars of highways John Allen Robert Knowlton Thomas Lee & John Edwards 8ly voted that hogs shall go at large being yoked & Ringed acording to Law 9ly Chosen for Hoge Reves Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Samuel Allen snr Richard Coye Jonathan Herrick & Andrew Hooper 10ly Chosen For Houerds Jerimiah Allen snr Samuel Carter John Tewxbury Jonathan Her-rick & Joseph Knight 11ly Chosen for fenceviewers Benjamin Lee Thomas Lee Andrew Hooper & William Badcock 12ly Chosen for tithen Men William Cleaves Samuel Allen Junr 13ly Chosen for Sealer of waights and Measures Thomas Lee 14ly Chosen for Meas-urer of Bords and timber Thomas Lee John Lee John Foster 15ly Chosen for Sealer of Lether David Preson Junr 16ly Chosen for

corders of wood Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> Samuel Carter<sup>s</sup> Andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup> 17ly  
 Chosen for Inspector of Dear John Allen 18ly Chosen for Committee  
 to Examine the Towns Accompts with the Town Treasurer for the  
 time past Coll. Benj<sup>a</sup> Marston M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee  
 & Mak Report at The next meeten 19ly voted for the Ministry  
 Salary Fifty Pounds 20ly voted for a gift to the Minister Ten  
 Pounds 21ly voted to the use of the School Twenty Pounds 22ly  
 voted for the County Charges and the seport of The Poor and to  
 Make up the Deficiencies In Collection For the year In suing Twenty  
 Pounds 23ly Voted to tax the Town one Hundred pounds to defray  
 The Charge of Building a Steeple to the Meeting House In Man-  
 chester 24ly voted that Benjamin Lee Jonathan Herrick Capt Sam-  
 uel Lee Robart Knowlton & Jonathan Allen Junr be a Committee  
 to build the Steeple & lay their account of the Charge of the same  
 before the Town for Acceptance 25ly voted the present Select men be  
 Assessers for the year Insuing 26ly Voted the present Selectmen bee  
 a School Committee y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing 27ly voted Coll. Benjamin Mars-  
 ton Esq Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Deacon Jonathan Herrick  
 & Mr Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> be a Committee Fully Impoured to treat  
 with a Committee of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Ipswich about the gore of Land in  
 Contreverce Between y<sup>e</sup> sd Ipswich & the Town of Manchester &  
 settle the line between y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> towns in the place before mentioned  
 & make sale of s<sup>d</sup> ger of land according to the best of their Discre-  
 tion & be accountable to y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> town of Manchester for [54] the  
 purchase Consideration thereof Att a Town Meeting in Manches-  
 ter Leagally worned And mett Together on Munday th Eighteenth  
 Day of This Instant May ano Do 1752 In Order to Chuse A Repre-  
 sentive to Represent us at a grate and generael Court to be holden  
 at Boston on the last Tuesday of may Inst 1ly Co<sup>l</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Mars-  
 ton Esq Chosen Moderator this Meeten 2ly It was put to vote  
 wether thay would send a Representative and it was voted in the  
 negative not To send any perso to Represent us at the Court afor  
 s<sup>d</sup> 3ly voted that y<sup>e</sup> Present Select Men namly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee  
 M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee & Dea Jonathan Herrick be a Committee Impowered  
 to Sell the Towns part of the old Glass & Lead and old Clabords  
 & old window frames which belonged to the Meeten house In Man-  
 chester And the Produce thereof the be laid out on the Repears of  
 The s<sup>d</sup> House Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leagally worned  
 and Meet to gether on Munday the Twenty ninth Day of this Inst.







June Anno Domini 1752 in order to Chuse Two Jury men Firstly Chosen for Jury Men John Tewxbury & John Tuck to serve at our Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem Att a Town Meeten In Manchester Leagally Worned and Meet To gether on Tusday y<sup>e</sup> Ninteenth Day December Anno Domi 1752 In order to see what the Town will Dow about Settleing the Line Between Ipswich & Manchester and what thay will Dow About Raising Money for a Steeple and giting wood for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppa for his Fireing this present year Firstly Dea Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderater for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly voted that Co<sup>ll</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Marston Esq<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> John Foster Capt<sup>a</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thoms Lee M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Lee Jr. & Sam<sup>ll</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Herrick be a Comittee fully authorized & impowred to manage & Settle the Controversie between this town and ye Town of Ipswich relating to the line between us & also Relateing To [55] the Persons that have Entered upon part of this Town Ship And holds the Town out of the same to manage settle or Compound the Matter with them hereby giving our said Comt<sup>ee</sup> full power Lawfull authority to use any or all proper Lawful means Whatsoever for affecting the same or obtaining the possession of the Land snatched from us By the Comeners of Ipswich afse<sup>a</sup> or any person or persons whatsoever and if need be in order thei<sup>r</sup>to to appear in our name and behalf before any Court Legislative or Executive to petition Claim Demand or sue for the Recovery of our Righte in the land before mentioned & to Prosecute the same to Final Judgment and Execution also Hereby giving to our said Comittee power & authority of Making an attorney or attornys under them with Further Power of substitution & to prosecute & Manage the affair Above mentioned in all Respects in as full & Ample a Maner as the Town could in any wise do by any act or vote of Their one 3ly voted that Samuel Allen Junr Shall have y<sup>e</sup> same Privilege of the Steair way in the Meeten house at y<sup>e</sup> same price as he before had if the Town shall hreafter build a Steeple to s<sup>d</sup> house 4ly voted that the Selectmen shall Provide on The Towns Cost for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppans Fireing 10' Cord of wood from the Ministry lots 5ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Sixty pounds Lawful mony to pay for the Timber which was got for to build a Steeple and to pay other Town charges.

Att a Town Meeten in Manchester Leagally worned and meet to gether on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of Decem<sup>r</sup> 1752 In order to Chuse 3 Jury men Firstly Jacob Allen Chosen to serve on the gran Jury for the

year In suing 2ly David Preson snr & Elisha Allen Chosen To serve on the Jury of trials at the Nex Inferior Court of Comman Pleas to be holden at Salem on the Last Tusday of this Instant December &c

[56] At a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly wornd and met together on munday the fifth Day of March 1753 to see if Town will give up to the Cominors theré right In a gore of land lying in the western part of our Comon Lands in Manchester & to see if the Town will supply the commenors Committee with money to Carry on a Law Sute with the Cominors of Ipswich or Town of Ipswich or Possessors of s<sup>d</sup> lands for the recovery of the same

Firstly Deacon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for this present Meeten 2ly voted to give to the Cominnors of Manchester all Their Right and titel to that gore of land wich the Cominors voted to the Town on y<sup>e</sup> 29 Day of March anno Do 1743 3ly voted by the town that the Cominors Committee shall Draw from the Town Treasurer what Money thay have need of to Carry on the Law sute with the Cominors or Town of Ipswich or Possessors of s<sup>d</sup> Lands 4ly voted that the Town is willing that the Select men shall Dispose of the goods wich was left by Edmund Clerk Dec<sup>sd</sup> and settle accompts with the Deters and Creditors Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly wornd And met To gether on munday y<sup>e</sup> twenty Sixth Day of March Ano Domini 1753 In orde to Chuse Town officers To serve s<sup>d</sup> town y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing Firstly Deacon Jonathan Herrick chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly Chosen for Select men Cap<sup>tm</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Deacon Jonathan Herrick M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee & M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Lee Junr 3ly Chosen for a Town Clerk Benjamin Lee 4ly Chosen for a Constable Jerimiah Allen S<sup>nr</sup> 5ly Chosen for a Town Treasurer Thomas Lee 6ly voted to Chuse the rest of the Town officers by a hand vote 7ly Chosen for Serveyers of highways Benjamin [57] Lee John Orsment John Tewxbury and Paul Leach 8ly voted that hogs shall go at large being yoaked Ring<sup>d</sup> a cording to Law 9ly Chosen for hog Reves William Cleaves Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment John Haskell Richard Day John Edwards and Jacob Hooper 10ly Chosen for Servayers of fences Thomas Lee Richard Coye Jonathan Allen Junr and Andrew Hooper Snr. 11ly Chosen for houards Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober John Tuck Richard Day Jacob Hooper 12ly Chosen for tithen men Elisha Allen and John Orsment 13ly Chosen for Seal-





er of waights and measures Thomas Lee 14ly Chosen for measurer of Bords & Timber Thomas Lee John Lee Snr and John Edwards 15ly Chosen for Sealer of Lether David Presen Junr. 16ly Chosen for Corders of wood Thomas Lee Joseph Knight and John Allen. 17ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear John Allen 18ly Chosen for Collers of Fish John Foster Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Samuel Lee Samuel Allen and Benjamin Allen 19ly Chosen for a Pound Keeper Benjamin Orsment 20ly voted that the Select men this Day Cosen viz Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Junr Jonathan Herrick Thomas Lee and Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Junr Shall Be Assessors To Assess the Town of Manchester The year Insuing 21ly voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town Fifty Pounds Lawful Money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Toppans Sallary this present year 22ly voted that the assessors shal assess the Town Thirteen pounds six Shillings and Eight pence lawful Money for a gift To the Rev<sup>a</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> toppen for y<sup>e</sup> year 1752 23ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Thirty Five pounds Lawful Money to Defray the Charge of a gramer School marster y<sup>e</sup> [58] year In suing 24ly voted that the present Select men shall be a Committee To Lay out the Money voted for the seport of a School Master 25ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Thirty five pounds Lawful money to Defray Town Charges 26ly voted to build a Steeple to the Meeten house From the beeams and upwards near the forme of Glocester New Meeting house standing in the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Rogers is Parrish 27ly voted to be a committee to build The afore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee senr Jonathan Herrick Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Junr Robart Knowlton Jonathan Allen Junr 28ly voted that the assessors shall assess the town Twenty five pounds lawful money to Defray the Charges of Building the afore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple and If the afore said 25 pounds be not seficent to pay the Charge of the s<sup>d</sup> Steeple then the fore said Committee shall Draw what Money thay want to finch the afore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple from The Town Treasurer 29ly voted & a full vote by the Town to abate M<sup>r</sup> Ames Cheevers snr Rates the Two Lastes years also voted that the assessors shall not Rate M<sup>r</sup> Ames Cheever y<sup>e</sup> year Insuing 30ly voted to pay unto Counstable Richard Day one pound twelve shilling To bear part of the Charge of an Execution which he had from the Province Treasurer 31ly the Town Meeten is a Jorned to the Second Day of April Nex Mett to gether on y<sup>e</sup> above s<sup>d</sup> a Jornment 1ly voted to Renew the Choice of Paul leach For a serveyar of highways Att a Town Meting in Manchester

Leaguallly Warned and Meet to gether on y<sup>e</sup> 21 Day of May Anno 1753 In order to Chuse a Representative 1ly M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee [59] Chosen Moderator for this Meeten 2ly it was put to vot Wether we should send a Representative to Represent us At a great and generael Court to be holden at Boston on the Last wensday of this Instant May and it was voted not to send any Person haveing Liberty by law so to do. Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly Warned and meet to gether on the third Day of July anno Do 1753 In Order to Chuse Two Jury men to serve at the Next Inferor Court to be holden at Salem on the Second Tusday of this Instant July Firstly Benjamin Ober Chosen Jury man 2ly Abraham Mastus Junr Chosen Jury man For the a fore Said Court Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly Warned And meet To gether on Teusday y<sup>e</sup> ninth Day of October Anno Do 1753 In Order to Chuse 4 Jury men Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee and Jonathan Herrick Chosen to serve on the grand Jury at the nex Superer Court to be Holden at Salem 2ly M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee and Robart Knowlton Chosen To serve on the Jury of Trials at the afore s<sup>d</sup> Court Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly warned & Meet to gether on Tusday the Eighteenth Day of December ano Do 1753 In orde to Chuse 3 Jury men To serve at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem On the Last Teusday of this Instant Decemb<sup>r</sup> Firstly Richard Day Chosen grand Jury man for the In suing year 2ly Aaron Lee Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at the afore s<sup>d</sup> Court Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly warned And meet to gether on y<sup>e</sup> 21 Day Decemb<sup>r</sup> [60] ano Do 1753 In order to Chuse one Jury man to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Nex Court to be holden at Salem on the Last Teusday of this Instant December Firstly Jacob Lee was chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at The a fore said Court Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly Warned and meet to gether on Munday 18<sup>th</sup> Day of March Anno Domini 1754 In order to Chuse Town Officers to serve s<sup>d</sup> Town the year In suing Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderater for this Meeting 2ly voted to Except The Towns accompts as thay are now Read in this Meeting 3ly voted to Chuse five Select men and thay to bare The Charge of their one time thay spend in making Rates For the Town the in suing year 4ly Chosen for Select Men Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Deacon Jonathan Herrick and Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee snr 5ly Chosen for a Town Clerk Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee snr







6ly Chosen for a Constable Samuell Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> 7ly Chos for a Town Treasurer M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee snr 8ly voted to Chuse the Rest of the town officers and Dow the other bisness of this Meeting by a hand voat 9ly Chosen for surveyars of High ways John Lee sn<sup>r</sup> John Tuck William Davisson Stephen Low & Richard Leach 10ly voted That the Select men Shali agree with Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> and give him what money thay think is Reasonable for the 5 Pounds which s<sup>d</sup> Allen payed to the Town for not sarveing counstable in y<sup>e</sup> year 1744 11ly Chosen for Hog Reves Richard Day John Allen Jonathan Herrick Andrew Hooper Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober and Jacob Allen also voted that hogs shall go at large Being yoaked and Ringed according to Law. 12ly Chosen for Haywards Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober William Davisson Stephen Low [62] Richard Day and John Allen 13ly Chosen for fence Viewers Thomas Lee Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Jacob Allen & Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober 14ly Chosen for Tithen Men Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober & William Davisson 15ly Chosen for Measurer of bords and timber John Lee snr Thomas Lee and John Edwards 16ly Chosen for Sealer of Waights and Measurers Thomas Lee 17ly Chosen Sealer of lether Elisha allen 18ly Chosen for Corders and Measurers of wood Elisha Allen Stephen Low & John allen 19ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear John Allen 20ly Chosen for Collors of fish John Foster Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Samuell Allen snr and Benjamin Allen 21ly Chosen for a pound keeper Benj<sup>a</sup> orsment 22ly voted that the Select Men this Day Chosen shall be assessors to assess the Town the year insuing 23ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Fifty pounds Lawful money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan Sallary the year In suing 24ly voted that the assessors This Day Chosen shall assess the Town Twenty pounds Lawful money for a gift to the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppan for the year 1753 25ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Thirty five Pounds lawful money to Defray the Charge of a gremer School Master y<sup>e</sup> year insuing 26 voted that the Select Men shall be a Committee to lay out the Money in Provoding a School Master or School Masters for s<sup>d</sup> Town the year insuing 27ly voted that the assessors shall assess The Town Forty pounds Lawful Money to Defray Town Charges 28ly voted to Build a Steeple to the Meeting house From the ground and upwards in Lew of the Steeple that was To be built from the beeams and upwards in the year 1753 29ly voted that Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee [63] Robart Knowlton Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee snr John Edwards and

Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> be a Committee to Build a Steeple to the Meeting house that is to say Provide workman and Stuf and over see the work of Building and Compleating of The a Fore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple in the year 1754 If it can be don with Convenency 30ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Fifty Pounds Lawful Money to Defray the Charge of Building the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple 31ly voted that the Committee Chose to build the Steeple shal Lay out the Fifty Pounds voted for that use and Draw from the Town Treasurer what money thay want To Compleat the Building of the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Steeple 32ly voted that the Present Select men viz Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Cap<sup>tn</sup> Samuel Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Deacon Jonathan Herrick and Benjamin Lee Be a Committee Impowered by the Town and in the Towns be half to give unt John Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> a leagal Conveyance or Warrantee Deed in fe simple of Twenty Poles of the Towns Land Lying on the Easterly End and a Joyning to his Dwelling house for the sum of Thirteen pounds six shillings and Eight pence Lawful Money and the afore s<sup>d</sup> sum of Money to be let out upon Intrest by the Select Men or others whome The Town shall appoint for that servis as Long as the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan shall Continne a Minister in This Town and the Intrest of a bove s<sup>d</sup> sum of Thirteen pounds Six shillings and Eight pence in Money to be Given yearly to the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppan Dureing the hole term of his Ministry a Mong us in Manchester &c The meeting is a Jornd to the twenty fifth of this Instant March at one of the Clock in the Day Mett to gether on the above s<sup>d</sup> a jorment 1ly voted that The Select men [64] shall not Rate M<sup>r</sup> Ames Cheever snr The Insuing year 2ly voted that If any persen be a Mind to Repair the Town worf the in suing year on There one Cost thay have liberty by s<sup>d</sup> Town Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly wornd and Meet to gether on Munday 20<sup>th</sup> Day of May anno Do 1754 In order to Chuse a Representative to serve for and Represent us at a great and Generael Court to be holden Att Boston on the Last Wednesday of this Instan May 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderater 2ly it was put to vote wether we should send a Representative and it was voted in y<sup>e</sup> Negative not to send any Person to Represent us at the a. for s<sup>d</sup> Court Haveing the liberty by law so to do Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly wornd and meet to gether on Munday y<sup>e</sup> 8 Day of July anno Domini 1754 In order to Chse Two Jurymen to serve on the





Jury of trials at the next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem on the first tuesday of this Instant July Firstly Samuel Allen y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> was Chosen Jury man 2ly William Davison Chosen Jury Man to serve at the afore s<sup>d</sup> Court. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly Worned & Meet together on Munday the Seventh Day of September anno Do 1754 In order to Chuse four Jury men to serve att the Next Superiour Court of Judikiture to be holden at Salem on the third Tuesday of October Nex In suing and Do the other bisness to be Don at this Meeting Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Chosen Moderator for the Meeten 2ly Chosen for to serve on the grand Jury Samuel Lee & John Allen 3ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of trials John Edwards And John Easkoot snr at the afore s<sup>d</sup> [65] 4ly Voted that Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> John Edwards Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee snr Jonathan Herrick Benj<sup>a</sup>. Allen Be A Committee To See Where the Highways Wants widening and to worn such Person or Persons as thay y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Committee or the Mager part of Them fiends guilty of in Crochments, on the s<sup>d</sup> highways And if any Person or Persons shall Neglect or Refuse to Remove there Fences y<sup>e</sup> said Comittee are ordred to make Return of the Name or Names of Such Person or Persons to The Town Att our Next Town Meeting in December Insuing 5ly Voted that the Present Selectmen shall Draw From the Town Treasurer What Money thay shall think nedful to Joyn with other Towns and Lay it out in such a way and manner as thay shall think most Likely to Destroy those Devouring Wolves which are in or may be found in the Woods Between Ipswich Gloucester Manchester Beverly and Whenham

Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly Warned and Mett together on the Ninth Day of December anno Domini 1754 In order to Chuse three Jury Men one to serve on the grand Jury and the other two to serve on Jury of Trials at the Next Inferior Court of Comman Pleas to be holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of this Instant December 1ly Decon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for this Meeten 2ly Chosen for grand Jury Man Paul Leach Snr 3ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of Triels Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Stone Jun<sup>r</sup>

Att a Town Meeten In Manchester Leaguallly worned and meet together on Munday y<sup>e</sup> Seventeenth Day of March anno Domini 1755 In Order to Chuse Town officers To s<sup>d</sup> Town the year In suing First ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for this Meeing 2ly

[66] voted that the Town will stand a Law Suit with M<sup>r</sup> Samuel y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Counstable If he shall commence one against the Town for gathering Rates the last year 3ly Chosen for Selectmen Capt<sup>n</sup>. John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee and Deacon Jonathan Herrick 4ly Chosen for a Town Clerk Benjamin Lee snr 5ly Chosen for a Constable Joseph Knight 6ly Chosen for a Town Treasure M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Ju<sup>r</sup> 7ly voted to Chuse the Rest of the Town officers and Dow the Rest of the Town besness to be Don at this meetn by a hand vote 8ly Chosen for Survayors of highways John Edward Samuel Allen y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Joseph Mastus Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee & Robart Knowlton 9ly voted that Each of the Survayors of highways this Day Chosen shall work on y<sup>e</sup> high ways them selves and there words thlee Days before the Last Day of August Next on Penelty of paying five shillings to the Town for there neglect or non performance of s<sup>d</sup> work 10ly Chosen for hog Reves Jeremiah Allen snr John Haskell Samuel Carter John Tewxbury Jacob Hooper and Elisha allen 11ly Chosen for Houerds John allen Stephen Lowe Benj<sup>a</sup>. Ober Jonathan Herrick and Richard Day 12ly Chosen for fence Vewers Thomas Lee Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober Jacob allen 13ly Chosen for Tithen men Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober Stephen Lowe 14ly Chosen for Measurer and Marker of bords & Timber Thomas Lee John Edwards John Easkoot 15ly Chosen for seler of Waights & Measures Thomas Lee 16ly Chosen for Sealer of Leather 17ly Chosen Cordors of wood John allen Elisha Allen 18ly Chosen for Collers of Fish John foster snr Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee Samuel Allen Snr and Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen 19ly Chosen For a Pound keeper Samuel Carter 20ly voted that the Present Select Men this Day [67]. Chosen shall be Assessors to Assess the Town the year In suing 21ly voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town Fifty Pounds in Money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppans Sallary the in suing year 22ly voted that the assessors shall assess the Town Twenty Pounds money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppans Seport and Maintainance 23ly voted That the Assessors shall Assess the Town Thirty Eight Pounds money to Seport the Charge of a gramer School master the year In suing 24ly voted that the Select men this Day Chosen shall be a Committee to Lay out the afore s<sup>d</sup> money for a School Master 25ly voted that the Assessors shall Assess the Town Seventy Pounds to Defray Town Charges 26ly Voted that the Assessors shall assess The Town Seventeen Pounds







Money to Pay the Charge of bying the back Row of Pews in the front gallery and the back Row of Pews in the Northern End gallery in the Meeting House in Manchester 27ly voted that M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Jonathan Allen Junr and Jacob Allen shall be a Committee to bye the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Pews in the Towns be half & on the Towns Cost and if any one or more of the oners of s<sup>d</sup> Pews shall Refuse to sell to the Town their Pew or Right in a Pew then the above s<sup>d</sup> Committee Take it Down and build up the Rounge in to Seats for the use of the Town & s<sup>a</sup> town to bare y<sup>e</sup> Committee Harmless and pay their Charge for there so Doing 28ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear John Allen Att a Town Meeting In Manchester Leaguallly warned And Mett to gether on the Twentyth Day of this Instant May anno Do 1755 In order to Chuse a Representative and Do the other bisness to be Don at this meeting 1ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for this Meeting [68] 2ly twas put to vote wether the Town would send a Representative and it was voted not to send any person to Represent us at a great and generael Court to be holden at Boston on the 28 Day this Instant May anno 1755 Having Liberty by Law so to Dow 3ly voted the Present Select men viz Capt<sup>n</sup> Samuel Lee Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee and Deacon Jonathan Herrick be and are here by Impowred by this Town to build a Stone wall or imploy others to build it from the Town worfe to the Corner of the Stone wall standing on the Ministry land be low the School house in the Cheapest and best maner thay can and to wait for the pay untin someteme tord the later part of the year 1756 If thay cannot git the A fore s<sup>d</sup> wall made by subscription

Att a Town Meeten In Manchester Leaguallly warned and Mett to gether on 24 Day of June anno Do 1755 in order To Chuse Two Jury men to serve at the Next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem on the Second Tuesday July Next 1ly Aaron Bennit Chosen Jury man 2ly Joseph Mastus Chosen Jury man to serve at the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Court Att a Town Meeten In Manchester Leaguallly warned And Mett To gether on munday the Sixth Day of October ano 1755 In order to Chuse four Jury men two to serve on the Grand Jury and two to serve on the Jury of trials at the Next Superiour Court to be holden at Salel on the third Teusday of this Instant October Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lee Chosen Moderator for this Meeten 2ly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Foster and Benj<sup>a</sup> Lee Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury 3ly Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen and Jacob Hooper was Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Court Att a



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 Lee Snr and Benja<sup>a</sup> ober 13ly Chosen for Tithen Men Benja<sup>a</sup> ober  
 Stephen Low 14ly Chosen for Seler of waight & measurs Thomas  
 Lee snr 15ly Chosen for Measurer and Marker of bords and tim-  
 ber John Edwards & Thomas Lee Junr 16ly Chosen for Corders  
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 uel Lee Samuel Allen snr and Benjamin Allen 18ly Chosen for  
 Pound Keeper Jeremiah Dowe 19ly Chosen for Inspector of Dear  
 John Allen 20ly voted that the Treasurer of this Ton this Day  
 Chosen is hereby Impoured to Demand of and Receive a fine from  
 such Survayers as are liable to a fine by a vote Pased March an-  
 nual Town Meeten ano 1755 21ly voted that Each of the Survay-  
 ors of highways this Day chosen shall work on the highe ways  
 themselves and There wards Three Days before the last Day of  
 August Next on pennalty of paying five shillings to this Town for  
 their Neglect or non performance of s<sup>d</sup> Work 22ly voted that the  
 Assessors this day Chosen shall assess the Town fifty pounds  
 money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Toppans Covenanted Sallary  
 23ly voted That the Assessors shall assess the Town Twenty  
 Pounds money for the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppans Seport and Maintainance  
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 the Town Thirty Pounds money to Defray the Charge of a gramer  
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 the Select men this Day Chosen shall Provid Rocks in the In su-  
 ing winter to build a Bredg by the gris Mill in the best Maner and  
 Cheepest way thay can on the Towns Cost 28ly David Presson  
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 ter Leaguallly warned and Meet to gether on th Ninteenth Day of  
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 sent us at a Great and Generael Court to be Holden at Boston  
 Twenty Sixt Day May anno Domini 1756 Firstly Capt<sup>n</sup> John Fos-  
 ter Chosen Moderator for this Meeting 2ly it was put to vote  
 wether the Town would send a Representative & twas voted not

to send an person To Represent us Thinking the Town not able to Sepr such a heavy Charg Att a Town Meeting leaguallly warned & Meet to gether In Manchester on Munday the Twenty Eighth Day of June anno Domini 1756 In order to Chuse 2 Jury men To serve at the nex Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem for the County of Essex on the Second Teusday of July nex Firstly Chosen as the law Directs for a Juryman Andrew Woodbery 2ly Chosen for a Jury man Solomon Coal to serve at y<sup>e</sup> afore s<sup>d</sup> Court Att a Town Meeting in Manchester leaguallly Warnned and Meet together on Munday the Seventh Day October ann Do 1756 In order to Chuse Jury men to serve at the Next Superiour Court of Judikature to be holden at Salem on the third Teusday of this Instant october 1ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> [73] Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2ly Thomas Lee & Jonathan Herrick Chosen to serve on the grand Jury 3 Chosen to serve on the Jury of trials at the a fore s<sup>d</sup> Court Abraham Marsturs Jun<sup>r</sup> and Jeremiah Dow

Att a town Meeting in Manchester Leaguallly warned & Meet to gether on y<sup>e</sup> twentyth Day of December anno Do 1756 in order to Chuse 3 Jury men to serve at the Next Inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden at Salem on the last Teusday of this Instant December Firstly Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury John Haskell for the in suing year 2ly Chosen to serve on the Jury of trials at the afore s<sup>d</sup> Court Benjamin Leach and Samuel Downer At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on Monday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Eighth Day of March Anno Domini 1757 In order to Choose Town Officers to serve y<sup>e</sup> said Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing. 1ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderator. 2ly Chosen for Select Men John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster & Deacon Jonathan Herrick. 3ly Chosen for a Town Clerk Benjamin Kimball. 4ly. Chosen for a Town Treasurer Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. 5ly Chosen for a Constable Mr. John Allen. 6ly Voted to Choose the Rest of y<sup>e</sup> Town Officers & do all other Business necessary to be done at this present Meeting by a hand Vote. 7ly. Voted that the Select men this Day Chosen shall be assessors to assess y<sup>e</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing 8ly. Chosen for surveyors of high ways John Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> Elisha Allen Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster Jacob Hooper Benjamin Orsment. 9ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Hogs shall go at Large Being yoaked & Ringed according to Law for y<sup>e</sup> year ensu-







ing 10ly. Chosen for Hogreeves Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> John Day<sup>s</sup>  
 Andrew Marsters<sup>s</sup> Jacob Allen<sup>s</sup> Benjamin Lee<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Allen<sup>s</sup>  
 y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Samuel Morgan. [74] 11ly Chosen for Haywards Andrew<sup>s</sup>  
 Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. Samuel<sup>s</sup> Carter John Allen<sup>s</sup> Benjamin Orsment<sup>s</sup> Ben-  
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 uel Allen<sup>s</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 14ly. Chosen for Measurers and Markers of Bords  
 and Timber John Edwards Sen<sup>r</sup> John Tuck<sup>s</sup> Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 15ly Chosen for Corders of wood Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup> Stephen Low Jer-  
 emiah Dow. 16ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Cap<sup>t</sup>.  
 John Forster Samuel Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Allen Capt Samuel<sup>s</sup>  
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 Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. 18ly. Chosen Pound Keeper Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee 19ly. Cho-  
 sen Inspector of Deer John Allen<sup>s</sup>. 20ly. Chosen for sealer of  
 Leather David Presson<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup>. 21ly Voted that the Assessors shall  
 assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Fifty Pounds for y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Benjamin Toppans  
 salary. 22ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assessors shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Thir-  
 teen Pounds six shillings and Eight Pence as a Gift for y<sup>e</sup> Revnd  
 Mr. Toppans Support & Maintenance. 23ly. Voted y<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> Assessors  
 shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Twenty Five Pounds to defray y<sup>e</sup> Charges  
 of a Grammar School Master for y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 24ly. Voted that  
 y<sup>e</sup> Assessors shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town sixty pounds to Defray Town  
 Charges. 25ly Voted y<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> select men this Day chosen shall be a  
 Committee to Lay out y<sup>e</sup> money voted for y<sup>e</sup> Support & mainte-  
 nance of a grammar school master. 26ly. Voted y<sup>t</sup>. a Number of  
 men shall serve as Jury men according to a List Before y<sup>e</sup> Town  
 wherein They were named. 27ly Voted y<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> select men shall have  
 Liberty to Lett y<sup>e</sup> School Land for Ten years or for Less Time as  
 they think most proper.

[75] Essex ss. To Mr. John allen Constable of Manchester  
 Greeting. These are in his majesties name forthwith to will and  
 Require you to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> Freeholders & other Inhab-  
 itants of said Town that have an Estate of freehold in Land  
 within this province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at

y<sup>e</sup> Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pounds sterling to assemble at our meeting House in manchester on monday y<sup>e</sup> sixteenth Day of may next Ensuing at Eight o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning then and there to Elect and Depute one person being a Freeholder, and Resident in manchester to serve for & Represent us in a great & general Court or assembly appointed to Be Convened held & kept for his majesties service at y<sup>e</sup> Court house in Boston upon wednesday the Twenty fifth Day of may next Ensuing hereof fail not and make Return of this your warrant & your Doing therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting Dated at manchester y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1757 By order of y<sup>e</sup> Select men of manchester

Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on the sixteenth Day of May Anno Domini 1757 1ly. M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen moderater 2ly. It was put to Vote wither we should send a Representative to Represent us at a great & General Court to be held and kept at y<sup>e</sup> Court house in Boston on y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Instant & Voted in y<sup>e</sup> negative not to send one. At a Town Meeting in manchester Legally warned & met together on y<sup>e</sup> fifth Day of July anno Domini 1757 in order to Choose Two Jurymen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem for y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex on y<sup>e</sup> Second Tuesday of this [76] instant July, 1ly. Elisha Allen & william Badcock Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials in y<sup>e</sup> Court aforesaid. At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on Monday y<sup>e</sup> Tenth Day of october Anno Domini 1757: in order to Choose Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Superiour Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> third Tuesday of this Instant October. 1ly. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting. 2ly. Andrew Hooper sen<sup>r</sup> and Benjamin Kimball Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury. 3ly. John Tewxbury and Benjamin Ober Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials. At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met together on monday y<sup>e</sup> nineteenth Day of December Anno Domini 1757. in order to Choose three Jurymen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tuesday of this Instant December: 1ly. Stephen Low was Chosen to serve as Grand Juryman for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year 2<sup>ly</sup>. was chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> Court afores<sup>d</sup> Moses Bennett & Edward Kitfield.





Essex<sup>ss</sup> To Mr John Allen Constable of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester—Greeting

These are in his majesties name to will and require you forthwith to notife and warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town Legally qualified for Voting to assemble at our meeting House y<sup>e</sup> usual place of Town Meeting on monday y<sup>e</sup> Thirteenth Day of March next at eight o'clock in the morning Then and There to elect and depute select men, overseers of the poor, Town Clerk Constable and other Town officers as by law directed ; and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of money as shall be adjudged needfull for y<sup>e</sup> Relief and support of y<sup>e</sup> poor and the defraying of all other necessary Charges ; arising within said Town : and also to see if y<sup>e</sup> Town will sell y<sup>e</sup> School Land in Manchester & [76] put y<sup>e</sup> money out at Interest for y<sup>e</sup> Benefit and advantage of y<sup>e</sup> school in s<sup>d</sup> Town hereof fail not & make Return of this your warrant & your doings therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> time of meeting. Dated at Manchester Feby. 25<sup>th</sup> 1758

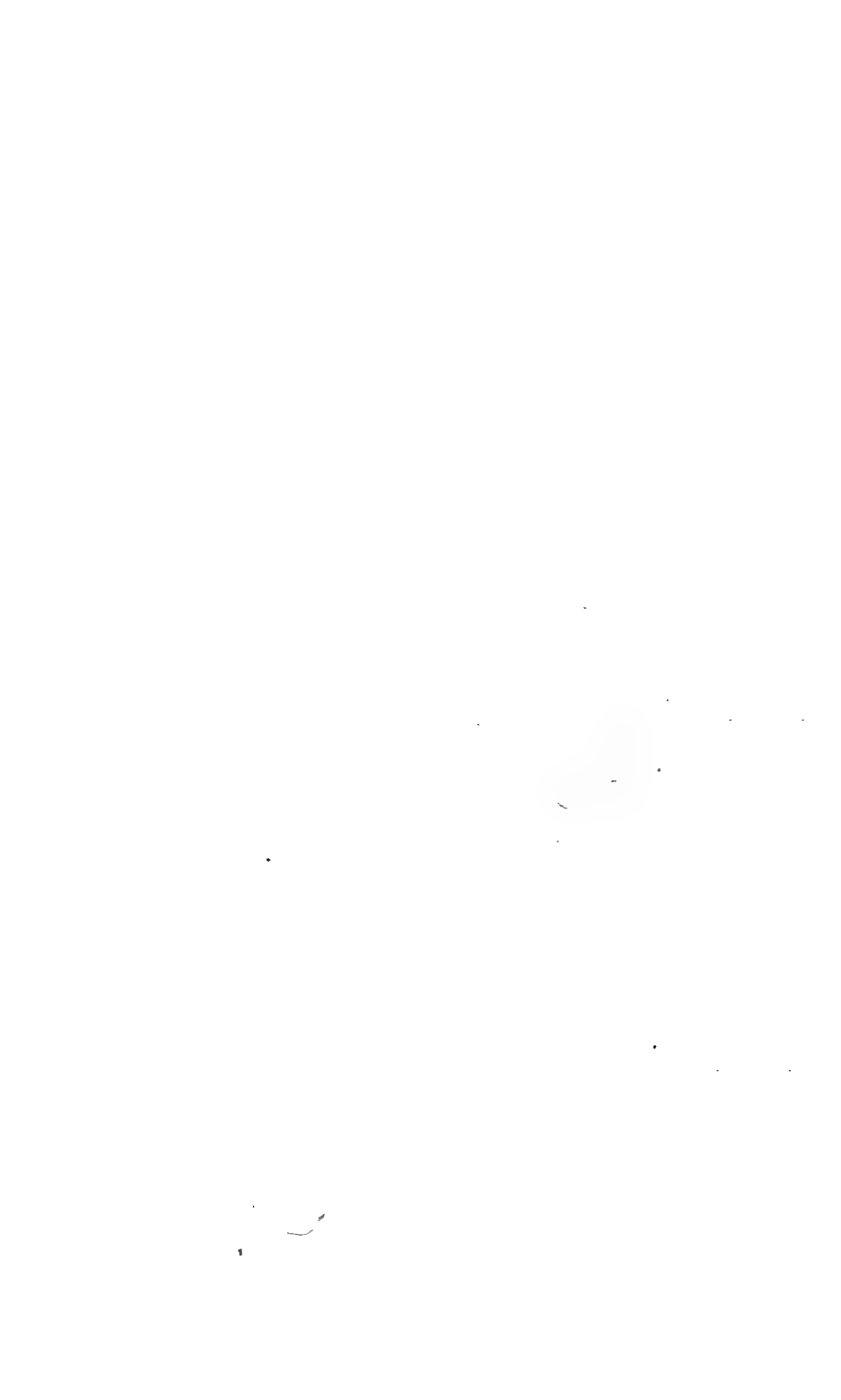
By order of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of s<sup>d</sup> Town

Ben<sup>a</sup> Kimball T. Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on monday y<sup>e</sup> Thirteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1758 : In order to Choose Town officers to serve the Town the Ensuing year. 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for this meeting. 2ly. Chosen for a Town Clerk Ben<sup>a</sup>. Kimball, 3ly Chosen for Select men Deacon Jonathan Herrick ; Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster & Benjamin Kimball 4ly. Chosen for a Town Treasurer Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. 5ly. Chosen for a Constable Andrew Woodbury. 6ly. Voted to Choose the Rest of y<sup>e</sup> Officers to be Chosen at this meeting by a hand vote. 7ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> select men this Day Chosen shall be assessors to assess the Town for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing 8ly. Chosen for surveyors of high ways Thomas Lee sen<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Forster John Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Carter Andrew Hooper Benjamin Orsment. 9ly. Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> hogs shall go at Large Being yok'd & ring'd according to Law—10ly. Chosen for hog Reves Richard Day John Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Badcock Ju<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Orsment John Edwards Richard Coy 11ly Chosen for Haywards Andrew Marsters Thomas Lee

Jun<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Dow<sup>s</sup> Richard Day<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Morgan<sup>s</sup> Robert Knowlton<sup>s</sup>  
 12ly. Chosen for surveyors of Fences Benj<sup>a</sup> ober. John<sup>s</sup> Allen sen<sup>r</sup>  
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 measures Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup> 15ly. Chosen for measurer and marker  
 of Bords & Timber John<sup>s</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. John<sup>s</sup> Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee  
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 Allen<sup>s</sup> Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow<sup>s</sup> John<sup>s</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. 17th. Chosen for Cullers of  
 Fish John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> John<sup>s</sup> Forster Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Allen Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen<sup>s</sup>  
 sen<sup>r</sup>. John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury. 18ly. Chosen for pound Keeper Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee.  
 19ly. Chosen for Inspector of Deer John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury. 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen  
 for sealer of Leather David<sup>s</sup> Pressen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 21ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> as-  
 sessors this Day Chosen shall asses y<sup>e</sup> Town Fifty pounds for y<sup>e</sup>  
 Revnd Mr. Benjamin Toppans Covenanted salary for y<sup>e</sup> year En-  
 suing. 22ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall assess  
 y<sup>e</sup> Town £13. 6. 8 as a gift for y<sup>e</sup> support and maintenance of y<sup>e</sup>  
 Revnd. Mr. Toppan y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 23<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors  
 this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town sixty pounds to Defray Town  
 Charges for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing. 24<sup>ly</sup>. Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day  
 Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Twenty five pounds to be laid out for  
 y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> school y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing : & that y<sup>e</sup> select men or a Com-  
 mittee who shall be Impowerd to lay out said money imply Ames  
 Cheever or Downing Lee for Three months and if either of the afore  
 mentiond men shall be agreeable to y<sup>e</sup> Town in General then to keep  
 till y<sup>e</sup> whole sum Be Expended. — John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> John<sup>s</sup> Fors-  
 ter Deacon Jonathan Herrick John<sup>s</sup> Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> & Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball  
 Entered their Dissents against y<sup>e</sup> above twenty fourth vote. 25<sup>ly</sup>.  
 Voted y<sup>t</sup> there be Two men chosen as a Committee to Joyn with the  
 select men in laying out y<sup>e</sup> money this Day Voted to be raised for  
 y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> school y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing. 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that M<sup>r</sup> John Al-  
 len and M<sup>r</sup> John Tewxbury Be a Committee to Joyn y<sup>e</sup> Select men  
 in Laying out y<sup>e</sup> money rais<sup>d</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> school the ensuing  
 year. Essex ss. To Mr. Andrew  
 Woodberry Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting.—

[78] These are in his majesties name forthwith to will & re-  
 quire you to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabi-







tants of said Town that have an Estate of Freehold in Land : within this Province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup> Least, or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pound sterling to assemble at our meeting House in manchester on wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty fourth Day of this Instant may, at seven o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning, then & there to elect & Depute one person being a Freeholder & Resident in manchester to serve for and represent us in a Great & General Court or assembly appointed to Be Convened held & kept for his majesties service in y<sup>e</sup> Court house at Boston upon wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Thirty first Day of this Instant May.—Hereof fail not and make Return of this your warrant and your Doings therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting. Dated at manchester y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1738

By order of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen

Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned, and met together on y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Day of May Anno Domini 1758. 1ly. M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator 2ly. it was put to Vote wither we should send a Representative to represent us at a great & General Court to Be held & kept at y<sup>e</sup> Court house in Boston on y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>t</sup>. Inst. & Voted in y<sup>e</sup> negative not to send one

At a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on monday y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June Anno Domini 1758 in order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferior Court to Be holden at Salem for y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex on y<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday of July next 1ly Jeremiah Allen senr & Jacob Allen were chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Court.

[79] At a Town Meeting in manchester Legally warned and met together on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of september Anno Domini 1758. in order to Choose Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Superior Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Tuesday of October next Ensuing. 1ly, John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. & Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen sn<sup>r</sup>. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury. 2ly Aaron Bennett senr. & Robert Knowlton Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on monday y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup>. Day of Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1758 : in order to Choose Three Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tuesday of this Instant Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen moderator for said meeting. 2ly. Jacob Hooper was Chosen Grand Jury man

for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. 3ly Jeremiah Allen Junr. and James Lee Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> Court aforesaid.

Essex. ss.

To M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Constable of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester—Greeting. These are in his majesties name to will and require you forthwith to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders & other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup>. Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Lands within this province or Territories of forty shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup> Least or Other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Fifty pounds sterling to assemble at our meeting house our usual place of Town meeting on monday y<sup>e</sup> Twelfth Day of march Anno Domini one Thousand seven hundred and Fifty nine: at Eight o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon then and there to Elect & depute select men Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> poor Town Clerk: Constable & other Town Officers as the Law directs: and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of money: as shall be adjudged needfull for the Releif of y<sup>e</sup> poor & defraying all other necessary Charges arising within said Town. And whereas y<sup>e</sup> highway from y<sup>e</sup> Brick Kiln towards millets Bridge was [80] allowed to be four Rods wide to see if the Town will grant Liberty to mr. Stephen allen & mr. Jonathan allen Jnr. to fence so as to Leave y<sup>e</sup> way but Three Rods in width; and also to give Liberty to mr. Stephen Allen to run his Fence in a direct Line so as to Include y<sup>e</sup> Towns property at ye Brickiln: and also to see if the Town will grant to Benjamin Orsment y<sup>e</sup> way that Leads round By y<sup>e</sup> Edge of Moses Hill Leading to Chebacco for a way Thro Land formerly Colonel Browns by y<sup>e</sup> wesward End of Millets Swamp Lots. And to agree & conclude upon any other matter or thing which shall be thought needfull to promote y<sup>e</sup> Benefit of s<sup>d</sup>. Town Hereof fail not and make Return of this your warrant and your Doings Therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting

Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup>. Febr'y 1759

By order of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of said Town

Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball Town Clerk.

Att a Town Meeting in manchester Legally warned & met together on Monday the Twelfth Day of March Anno Domini 1759: In order to Choose Town Officers to serve said Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 1ly. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was chosen Moderator for said meeting. 2ly. Benjamin Kimball was Chosen Town Clerk. 3ly. Chosen for Select men Benjamin Kimball. Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee Junr. Deacon John<sup>s</sup>





Allen 4ly. Chosen for a Town Treasurer Thomas Lee Junr. 5ly. Chosen for a Constable John Tewxbury 6ly. Voted to Choose y<sup>e</sup>. Rest of y<sup>e</sup>. Town Officers to be Chosen at this meeting by a hand Vote. 7ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. Select men this Day Chosen shall be Assessors to assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town y<sup>e</sup>. year Ensuing. 8ly. Chosen for surveyors of highways Benjamin Ober. Benjamin Orsment Thomas Lee Jnr. John Allen snr. John Edwards senr. & Jeremiah Dow. 9ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. hogs shall go at Large being yoked & Ringd. according to Law. 10ly Chosen for hog Reves Richard Day Samuel Carter William Bootman Robert Knowlton & andrew hooper. 11ly. Chosen for Hayards Jacob Hooper Samuel Carter Benjamin Ober Benjamin Orsment 12ly. Chosen for surveyors of Fences; Jacob Hooper, Thomas Lee senr. & John Tuck 13ly. Chosen for Tythingmen Thomas Lee Junr. Benjamin Ober. 14ly. Chosen for sealer of weights & measures Thomas Lee senr. 15ly. Chosen for marker of Bords & Timber John Edwards senr. John Lee senr. Thomas Lee Junr. 16ly. Chosen for Corders & Sealers of wood: Elisha Allen Stephen Low Jeremiah Dow. 17ly. Chosen for Cul- lers of Fish John Lee Esqr. John Tewxbury Benjamin Allen & Capt. John Forster. 18ly. Chosen for pound Keeper Samuel Car- ter. 19ly. Chosen for Inspector of Deer John Tewxbury 20ly. Chosen for Sealer of Leather David Presson Jun. 21ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town Fifty pounds for y<sup>e</sup>. Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary for y<sup>e</sup>. year En- suing. 22ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town as a gift for y<sup>e</sup>. Revnd M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Support & main- tenance y<sup>e</sup>. Ensuing year Thirteen pounds six shillings and Eight pence. 23ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town Forty five pounds to defray Town Charges 24ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town Twenty Three pounds Lawfull money to Defray y<sup>e</sup>. Charges of a Grammer School Six months next winter: and also to assess y<sup>e</sup>. Ton Twelve pound Lawfull money which sum is to be distributed to Three School Mistresses in Three different parts of y<sup>e</sup>. Town viz. The mid-

dle part of y<sup>e</sup>. Town Kettle Cove & Newport. and that y<sup>e</sup>. People Residing in ye aforementioned part of y<sup>e</sup>. Town pay their Part of y<sup>e</sup>. aforesaid Twelve pounds in Proportion to their Tax. 25<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. assessors this Day Chosen shall Lay out y<sup>e</sup>. money Raised for y<sup>e</sup>. School y<sup>e</sup>. Ensuing year 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. Town act upon M<sup>r</sup>. Stephen Allens and M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Allen Junr. Request [81] Relative to their running a Fence from y<sup>e</sup>. Corner of y<sup>e</sup>. Brickiln or Clay pit to Milletts Bridge: 27<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Mr Stephen Allen and M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Allen Junr. have Liberty to Erect a Fence from y<sup>e</sup>. Brick Kiln or Clay Pit to Milletts Bridge so as to Leave y<sup>e</sup> way but Three Rods in Wedth upon Consideration of having Liberty to dig & hale as much Gravel out of said Stephen Allens pasture as He & y<sup>e</sup>. Selectmen shall agree upon. 28<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Orsment shall have y<sup>e</sup>. way that Leads to Chebacco round y<sup>e</sup>. Edge of Moses Hill For a way to Chebacco Thro' Land formerly Colonel Browns by y<sup>e</sup>. westward end of milletts swamp Lots. & y<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>e</sup>. Select men this Day Chosen shall Convey to said Orsment y<sup>e</sup>. aforesaid Old way & take a conveyance from said Orsment of y<sup>e</sup>. aforesaid New Way. Essex ss.

To m<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury Constable of y<sup>e</sup>. Town of Manchester — Greeting.— These are in his majesties forthwith to will and require you to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup>. Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of said Town y<sup>t</sup>. have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty Shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup>. Least or Other Estate to y<sup>e</sup>. Value of Forty pounds Sterling to assemble at our meeting house in Manchester on Thursday y<sup>e</sup>. Twenty fourth Day of this Instant May at Seven o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup>. morning then & there to Elict Depute one person being a Freeholder & Resident in Manchester to serve for & Represent us in a great & General Court or assembly appointed to be Convened held and kept for his majesties service in y<sup>e</sup>. Court House at Boston upon wednesday y<sup>e</sup>. Thirtieth Day of May inst:

Hereof Fail not & make Return of this your warrant & your Doings thereon unto myself before y<sup>e</sup>. said Time of meeting.

Dated at Manchester 8<sup>th</sup>. May 1759

By Order of y<sup>e</sup>. Selectmen

Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk

Att a Town Meeting in manchester Legally warned and met together on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Fourth Day of may Anno Domini







1759. In Order to Choose one Person to represent our Town at a Great & General Court or assembly to be Convened & kept for his majesties service at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston on wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Thirtieth Day of this Instant may 1<sup>ly</sup> Thomas Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator for this meeting 2<sup>ly</sup> Voted in y<sup>e</sup> negative not to send any Person to represent our Town not being able to support y<sup>e</sup> Charge. Att a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned & met together on Monday y<sup>e</sup> second Day of July Anno Domini 1759. In Order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem for y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex on the Second Tuesday of July Inst. 1<sup>ly</sup> Deacon John Allen Chosen moderator for y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> meeting. 2<sup>ly</sup> Chosen as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at the aforesaid Court Deacon John Allen & william Bootman. Att a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned & met together on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> ninth Day of October Anno Domini 1759 in Order to Choose Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Superior Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Third Tuesday of this Instant October. 1<sup>ly</sup> Thomas Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said meeting. 2<sup>ly</sup> Paul Leach sen<sup>r</sup> & Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury. 3<sup>ly</sup> Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials Abraham marsters Jun<sup>r</sup> & James Lee. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met together on monday the seventeenth Day of December Anno Domini 1759 in Order to Choose Three Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> last Tuesday of this Inst. December. 1<sup>ly</sup> Ensign Andrew woodberry was Chosen moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting. 2<sup>ly</sup> Ensign Andrew Woodberry was Chosen Grand Jury man for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. 3<sup>ly</sup> Deacon Jonathan Herrick & Lieut. Thomas Lee Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at the Court Aforesaid.

[82] Essex s.s. To mr. John Tewxbury Constable of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester.—Greeting. These are in his majesties name to will and require you forthwith to Notifie and warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have any Estate of Freehold in Land within This province or Territories of Forty shillings pr. annum at the Lest or other Estate to the Value of Fifty pounds sterling to assemble at our meeting House our usual place of Town meeting on Monday the Tenth Day of march Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & sixty: at Eight

o'Clock in the Forenoon : Then & There to Elect and Depute Select-men Overseers of y<sup>e</sup> Poor Town Clerk : Constable and other Town Officers as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs and to agree upon Granting such sum or sums of money as shall be adjudged needfull for the Relief of the Poor ; and Defraying all other necessary Charges arising in said Town. And likewise to see if the Town will new set the wall against the Burying yard ; and Cause the Fence around it to be put into good Repair and have a Gate at the Entrance there of in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Bars : and also to see if the Town will take some method to accomplish the Destruction of Briers : which seem to have almost universally Overspread the Congregation of the Dead : By which means following our Decs<sup>d</sup> Relatives to their long homes is attended with no small Inconveniency And to agree upon anything or matter that shall be deem'd necessary to advance the Intrests and promote y<sup>e</sup> Benefit of said Town. Hereof you may not fail upon your Peril : But make Return of this your warrant & your Doings Therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Febry Anno Domini 1760

By order of the Select men

A Return of y<sup>e</sup> above & preceding warrant was made y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1760 By John Tewxbury  
Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup>

Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball Town Clerk

[83] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met together on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March Anno Domin 1760 In order to Choose Town Officers to serve said Town y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. Firstly J<sup>o</sup>hn Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen moderator for said meeting. 2ly. Benjamin Kimball was Chosen Town Clerk 3ly. Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster John Tewxbury & Benjamin Kimball were Chosen Selectmen. 4ly. Chosen for a Constable Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. 5ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Town Treasurer. 6ly. Voted to Choose y<sup>e</sup> Rest of the Town Officers & transact all other Business to be done at this Meeting By a hand Vote. 7ly Chosen for Surveyors of highways John Lee sen<sup>r</sup> Jacob Hooper, Jeremiah Dow Benjamin Ober Deacon John Allen, Benjamin Orsment. 8ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> swine shall go at Large : Being yok'd and Ring'd according to Law. 9<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Hog Reves Thomas Poland Richard Day Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter Jonathan Herrick Andrew Woodberry. 10<sup>ly</sup>





Chosen for Haywards Richard Day<sup>s</sup> Thomas Poland<sup>s</sup>, John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup>, John Edwards<sup>s</sup>, Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. 11<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Surveyors of Fences Thos. Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Allen<sup>s</sup> John Edwards<sup>s</sup> Benjamin Ober<sup>s</sup>. 12<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Tything men Thomas Poland<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. 13<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for measurer & marker of Bords and Timber Thomas Lee Sen<sup>r</sup> John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen sealer of weights & measures Thomas Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. 15<sup>ly</sup> Chosen sealer of Leather Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup>. 16<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cordors of wood Jeremiah Dow<sup>s</sup> & Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup>. 17<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster Samuel Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Allen<sup>s</sup> John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> 18<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for pound keeper Samuel Carter<sup>s</sup>. 19<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Samuel Carter<sup>s</sup> 20<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing

21<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town Fifty pounds for y<sup>e</sup> Revnd. Mr Toppans Covenanted Salary y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. 22<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town as a Gift for y<sup>e</sup> Revnd. mr. Toppans support and maintenance Twenty pounds y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. 23<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town to defray the Charges of a Grammer School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year (Exclusive of what was given by a number of Gentlemen) Thirty nine pounds & Ten shillings 24<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing to defray y<sup>e</sup> Charges of said Town Forty Five pounds. 25<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen Shall Lay out y<sup>e</sup> money Voted for a Grammar School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year. 26<sup>ly</sup> Voted that there be a new and Lawfull wall Erected & new set against y<sup>e</sup> Burying yard and a handsome Gate Erected & Compleated at y<sup>e</sup> Entrance of said Burying yard in y<sup>e</sup> Room & Stead of Barrs. 27 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall make Erect & new set said wall or agree with some other sufficient persons to do y<sup>e</sup> same at y<sup>e</sup> Cost & Charge of y<sup>e</sup> Town 28<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen shall make a Lawfull wall against the Burying ground adjoining to Mr. John Forster Sen<sup>r</sup> Land or Cause the same to be accomplished & Compleated by some other person or persons at the expense of y<sup>e</sup> Town. 29<sup>ly</sup>

Voted that John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Joseph Whipple Deacon Jonathan Herrick Deacon John Allen Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster John Edwards & Benjamin Kimball be a Committee to seat the meeting-house in y<sup>e</sup> year 1760. 30<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen take Care & observe that no one person or persons after said meeting house is seated Behave themselves disorderly by Leaving y<sup>e</sup> seats in which they are placed or by taking possession of Those seats in which others are placed. 31<sup>ly</sup> Voted that all Those who are Guilty of [84] Forsaking y<sup>e</sup> Seats in which they are seated or Intruding by sitting in any other seat in which They are not seated, shall upon Complaint thereof made to proper authority by y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen be Liable to pay a fine of Twenty shillings & y<sup>e</sup> Cost of prosecution. 32<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> assessors this Day Chosen shall Lett y<sup>e</sup> School Land for any number of years not exceeding seven in y<sup>e</sup> Best manner they Can in Behalf of said Town. Essex ss.

To M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable of y<sup>e</sup> Town of manch<sup>r</sup>, Greeting. These are in his majesties Name forthwith to will and require you to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town that have an estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup> Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pounds sterling to assemble at our meeting-house in manchester on wednesday the Twenty first Day of this Instant may at seven o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning; Then and There to Elect and Depute one person being a Freeholder and resident in manchester to serve for and represent us in a great and General Court or assembly appointed to be convened held and kept for his majesties service in y<sup>e</sup> Court house at Boston upon wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Eighth Day of this Inst<sup>t</sup> may — Hereof fail not and make return of this your warrant & your Doings therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting—manch<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> may 1760

By order of Select men

a return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant      Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball Town Clerk  
was made y<sup>e</sup> 21 of may 1760  
By Thos. Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable

[85] At a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned and met together on Wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty first Day of May anno Domini 1760 in order to Choose one person to represent our Town at a great and general Court or assembly to be Convened and kept for his majesties service at y<sup>e</sup> Court house in Boston upon wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Eighth Day of this Inst. may. 11y. Capt. John







Forster Chosen moderator for y<sup>e</sup> present meeting. 2ly. It was put to Vote wither we should send a representative to represent us at a great and General Court to be held and kept at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston on y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Eighth Day of Inst. May and Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Negative not to send one. Essex ss. To Mr. Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting

In his majesties Name you are hereby required to warn and notify all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty Shillings pr. annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of Forty pound Sterling, to assemble at our meeting house the usual Place of Town meeting on Friday the fourth Day of July next Ensuing the Date hereof at seven o'clock in the morning Then and There to see if the Town will make choice of a Committee to settle the Line Between Manchester and Gloucester, and also to Choose Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem for the County of Essex on the second Tuesday of July next Hereof fail not & make return of this your warrant & Doings therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting Dated at manchester y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1760

a return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was made By order of select Men  
before y<sup>e</sup> Time of meeting above men- Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball  
tioned pr. Thos Lee Jun<sup>r</sup> Con<sup>ble</sup> T. Clerk

At a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned and Convened on Friday the fourth Day of July Anno Domini 1760 In order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at the next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem for the County of Essex on the Second Tuesday of this Inst. July and also to see if the Town will make choice of a Committee to settle the Line Between y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester and Gloucester 1ly. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said meeting. 2ly Chosen as the Law directs to serve on the Jury of Trials at the afore said Court John Tuck & Jonathan marsters 3ly. Voted that John Lee Esq. Deacon Jonathan Herick Cap<sup>t</sup> John Forster, John Tewxbury and Benjamin Kimball or any Three of Them be a Committee fully authorized and impow- erd to manage and settle the Controversie Between y<sup>e</sup> Town of manchester and Gloucester relating to the Line between us: to manage settle or Compound the matter with them hereby giving our said Committee full power and Lawfull authority to use any or all proper means whatsoever: for affecting the same or obtain-

ing the Possession of our Right to the Land in dispute, between the said Town of Manchester and Gloucester, and if need Be in order thereto; to appear in our name and Behalf before any Court Legislative or Executive to petition: Claim: Demand, or sue for the Recovery of our Right in the lands aforesaid: and to prosecute the same to final Judgment, and Execution, hereby giving to our said Committee Power and Authority of making an attorney under them: with further Power of substitution; and to prosecute and manage the affair before mentioned in all Respects in as full and ample a manner as the Town Could in any wise do by any act or Vote of their own.

[86] Essex ss. To Mr. Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable of y<sup>e</sup> Town of manchester Greeting—These are in his majesties name forthwith to will & require you to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town that have an Estate of Freehold in Land, within This province or Territory of Forty shillings pr annum at y<sup>e</sup> Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pounds sterling to assemble at our meeting house in Manchester on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> Thirty first Day of this Inst. July at seven o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning: Then and There to Lay Before the Town a List of Jurors which will Be Exhibited By y<sup>e</sup> Select-men: and also to Select out of said List one Quarter of y<sup>e</sup> number so Laid Before y<sup>e</sup> Town such as shall Be by y<sup>e</sup> Town deem'd most suitable to serve as Jurors at y<sup>e</sup> Superior Court of Judicature Court of assize and General Goal Delivery.—Hereof fail not and make return of this your warrant and Doings therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting manchester 18<sup>th</sup> July 1760 By Order of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen  
a return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was Benjamin Kimball T. Clerk  
made by Thomas Lee Constable  
before ye time of meeting

[87] At a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on Thursday y<sup>e</sup>. Thirty first Day of July anno Domini 1760 The Selectmen of said Town in Conformity and Obedience unto an act of y<sup>e</sup>. great and general Court or assembly of y<sup>e</sup>. province of y<sup>e</sup>. massachusett Bay Exhibited to said Town a List of Jurors: and the Town at said meeting selected out of said List one Quarter part of y<sup>e</sup>. Number such as They deem'd most suitable to serve as Jurors of y<sup>e</sup>. Superiour Court

At a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on monday the sixth Day of October Anno Domini 1760 In





order to Choose Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Superior Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on the Third Tuesday of this Inst. October. 1ly. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury John Leesen<sup>r</sup> and Elisha Allen 2ly Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Tryals Joseph Knights and Richard Day.

At a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met to gether on Tuesday the Twenty Third Day of Decem<sup>r</sup>. Anno Domini 1760 in order to Choose Three Jurymen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next inferior Court of Common pleas to be Holden at Salem on ye Last Tuesday of This Inst. Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1ly. John Tewxbury Chosen Grand Jurymen for y<sup>e</sup>. Ensuing year. 2ly. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup>. Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Court Stilson Hilton and Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. Essex ss. To M<sup>r</sup>. John Forster Constable of the Town of manchester—Greeting—These are in his majesties name to will and require you Forthwith to notifie and warn all The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of The Town of manchester That have any Estate of Freehold in Land within This province or Territories of Forty shillings pr annum at The Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup>. Value of Fifty pounds Sterling to assemble at our meeting House our usual place of Town meeting on monday The ninth Day of march anno Domini one Thousand seven hundred and sixty one at Eight of y<sup>e</sup>. Clock in The morning Then and There to Elect & depute Select men overseers of y<sup>e</sup>. poor Town Clerk Constable and other Town officers as the Law directs and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of money as shall or may Be adjudged needfull for y<sup>e</sup>. Relief of y<sup>e</sup>. poor and defraying all other necessary Charges arising within the said Town and also to see if the Town will New set the wall against The Burying yard & Contrive and put into Execution some method for y<sup>e</sup>. Destruction of y<sup>e</sup>. Briars growing in said yard, and also to see [88] if the Town will Choose a Committee to settle the Line Between Manchester and Ipswich and Furthermore to see what The Town will do Relative to y<sup>e</sup>. School Land: and to agree on any other thing or matter That shall Be Thought necessary to advance the Interest and promote y<sup>e</sup>. Benefit of said Town Hereof fail not upon your peril But make return of This your warrant and your Doings Therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup>. said Time of meeting Dated at manchester y<sup>e</sup>. 20<sup>th</sup> Day of February Anno Domini 1761

By order of The Select men

a Return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was Benja Kimball Town Clerk  
made before y<sup>e</sup> Time of meeting  
pr John Forster Constable

Att a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned and met to  
 gether on monday The ninth Day of march A. Domini 1761 in order  
 to Choose Town officers To serve said Town y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing 1ly.  
 Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen moderator for said meeting  
 2ly. Voted to Choose Two wardens for y<sup>e</sup>. year Ensuing. 3ly.  
 Chosen for wardens m<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards Sen<sup>r</sup>. and m<sup>r</sup>. John Tuck<sup>s</sup>  
 4ly. Chosen for a Town Clerk Benjamin Kimball<sup>s</sup> 5ly. Chosen for  
 Select men, Capt. John Forster<sup>s</sup>, Benja Kimball<sup>s</sup>, & John Tewx-<sup>s</sup>  
 bury 6ly. Chosen for a Constable Benjamin Ober 7ly. Chosen for  
 a Town Treasurer Deacon Jonathan Herrick 8ly. Voted to Choose  
 y<sup>e</sup>. rest of the officers This day to Be Chosen By a hand Vote  
 9ly. Chosen for Surveyors of highways John Allen<sup>s</sup> John Forster<sup>s</sup>  
 andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup> Benjamin Kimball<sup>s</sup> John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> Deacon Jona-  
 than Herrick<sup>s</sup> 10ly. Voted that The Swine should go at Large Be-  
 ing Yoked and Ringed as The Law makes provision Therefor  
 11ly Chosen for hog-Reves Benjamin Kimball<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Jona-  
 than Herrick<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>. John allen<sup>s</sup> and John pearce<sup>s</sup> 12ly. Chosen for  
 Hay wards Benja<sup>s</sup>. Craft Solomon Lee<sup>s</sup> John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> Benjamin  
 orsment<sup>s</sup> sworn Andrew Hooper<sup>s</sup>

13ly. Chosen for surveyors of Fences Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup> Andrew  
 Woodbury<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> and John Tewksbury<sup>s</sup> 14ly. Chosen  
 for Tything-men Jeremiah Dow<sup>s</sup> & Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> 15ly. Chosen  
 for measurer and marker of Bords and Timber Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee<sup>s</sup> John  
 Edwards<sup>s</sup> and John Cheever<sup>s</sup> 16ly. Chosen for sealer of weights  
 and measures Lieut. Thomas Lee 17ly. Chosen for sealer of  
 Leather Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup> 18ly Chosen for Cordors of wood Elisha  
 Allen<sup>s</sup> and Jeremiah Dow<sup>s</sup> 19ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John  
 Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. John Tewksbury<sup>s</sup> & John Forster<sup>s</sup> & Samuel allen<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>.  
 20ly. Chosen for a pound Keeper Samuel Carter<sup>s</sup> 21ly. Chosen for  
 Inspector of Deer Samuel Carter<sup>s</sup> 22ly. Voted That the Assessors  
 This day Chosen shall assess the Town the year Ensuing. 23ly.  
 Voted That the assessors This day Chosen shall assess The Town  
 Fifty pound for the Revnd. M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary y<sup>e</sup>.  
 Ensuing year. 24ly. Voted that the assessors This day Chosen







shall assess The Town as a Gift for y<sup>e</sup>. Revnd. m<sup>r</sup>. Toppans support y<sup>e</sup>. Ensuing year Twenty pounds 25ly. Voted That The assessors This day Chosen shall assess The Town Forty pound to defray the Charge of a grammar School the year Ensuing. 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that The assessors This Day chosen shall assess The Town Fifty pound to defray Town Charges y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing. 27ly. Voted that the assessors This Day chosen Be a Committee to Lay out The money Voted to Be raised for y<sup>e</sup>. support of a grammar School the year Ensuing. 28ly. Voted That the assessors and selectmen This Day Chosen Be a Committee to New set The wall against y<sup>e</sup>. Burying Yard and receive their pay out of the Town Treasury 29<sup>ly</sup>. Voted That Capt. John Forster have the use and Improvement of the Town Burying yard for two years for nothing provided he doth on the opening of This Spring Cut [89] and Rake of of said yard all The Briars Therein growing and pasture it with sheep & That only For Two years Ensuing The Date of This meeting : otherwise to pay to said Town for the use of said yard Eight shillings pr. annum for the Two succeeding years. 30<sup>ly</sup>. Voted That Their Be a Committee Chosen to settle the Line Between Manchester and Ipswich. 31ly. Voted that Capt. John Forster Deacon Jonathan Herrick and m<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury Be a Committee to settle y<sup>e</sup>. Line Between Manchester and Ipswich provided Ipswich will Consent The Line shall go from Dodges Stump to the Rock to The westward of Cedar swamp But not to settle on any other conditions 32ly. Voted That The assessors This day Chosen Be and are a Committee impowered By The said Town to sell & give leagal Conveyance of y<sup>e</sup>. school Land to any person disposed to purchase and to Let at Interest immediately such money for y<sup>e</sup>. use & Benefit of sd. Town 33ly. Voted that the selectmen This Day Chosen Be and are a Committee To Caulk The Steeple of The meeting house and make y<sup>e</sup>. same tite By any means or method That They shall Judge most Expedient and also to get some particular spots plaistered under y<sup>e</sup>. stair way as you ascend The Galary 34ly. Voted That The four Volumes of m<sup>r</sup>. Baxters work which Belong to the Town Be looked up and Lodged in The hands of The Revnd m<sup>r</sup>. Toppa By him to be Lent to Those who may apply to him for the same He seeing them returned to him again once in every four months.

[90] Essex ss.

To Benjamin Ober Constable of the Town of Manchester —

Greeting— These are in his majesties Name forthwith to will and require you to notifie and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty shillings pr annum at the Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pound sterling to assemble at our meeting-House in manchester on Friday the Twenty second of This Inst. May at seven o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning Then and There to Elect & depute one person Being a Freeholder and Resident in manchester to serve for and represent us in a great and General Court or assembly appointed to Be Convened held and kept for his majesties service at the Court house in Boston upon wednesday the Twenty seventh Day of may Inst.—Hereof fail not upon your peril and make return of this your warrant and your Doings Therein unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said time of meeting

Manchester May 7<sup>th</sup> 1761

By order of the Select Men

A return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant                      Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball T. Clerk  
was made before ye time of meeting  
pr Benjamin ober Constable

At a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned and met together on Friday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Second Day of may anno Domini 1761—In order to Choose one person to represent our Town at a Great & General Court or assembly to Be Convened and Kept for his majesties service at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Seventh Day of This Inst. May. 1ly. It was put to Vote wither we should send a Representative to represent us at a great [91] and General Court to Be Convened and held at the Court house in Boston on the Twenty seventh Day Inst. and Voted in the Negative not to send one At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on wednesday y<sup>e</sup> first Day of July anno Domini 1761 In Order to Choose Two Jurymen to serve at the next inferiour Court to Be holden at Salem for and within y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex on y<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday of this Inst. July 1ly. Chosen as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs to serve at y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Court Ames Cheever 2ly. Chosen Joseph Killam.

At a Town meeting in manchester Legally warned and convened on Tuesday the sixth Day of october Anno Domini 1761 In order to Choose Jurymen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Superiour Court of Judicature to Be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Third Tuesday of this Inst October 1ly. Andrew Woodberry was Chosen moderator for y<sup>e</sup>.





said meeting 2ly. Benjamin Orsment and John Pearce Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury at y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Court 3ly. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> Court aforesaid Andrew Hooper and Jeremiah Dow

At a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met to gether on monday the Twenty first Day of Decem<sup>r</sup> Anno Domini 1761 In order to Choose Three Jury men to serve at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleees to be holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of this Inst. Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1ly. Thomas Poland Chosen Grand Juryman for y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing. 2ly. Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Court afores<sup>d</sup>. Jacob allen Samuel allen Jun<sup>r</sup>.

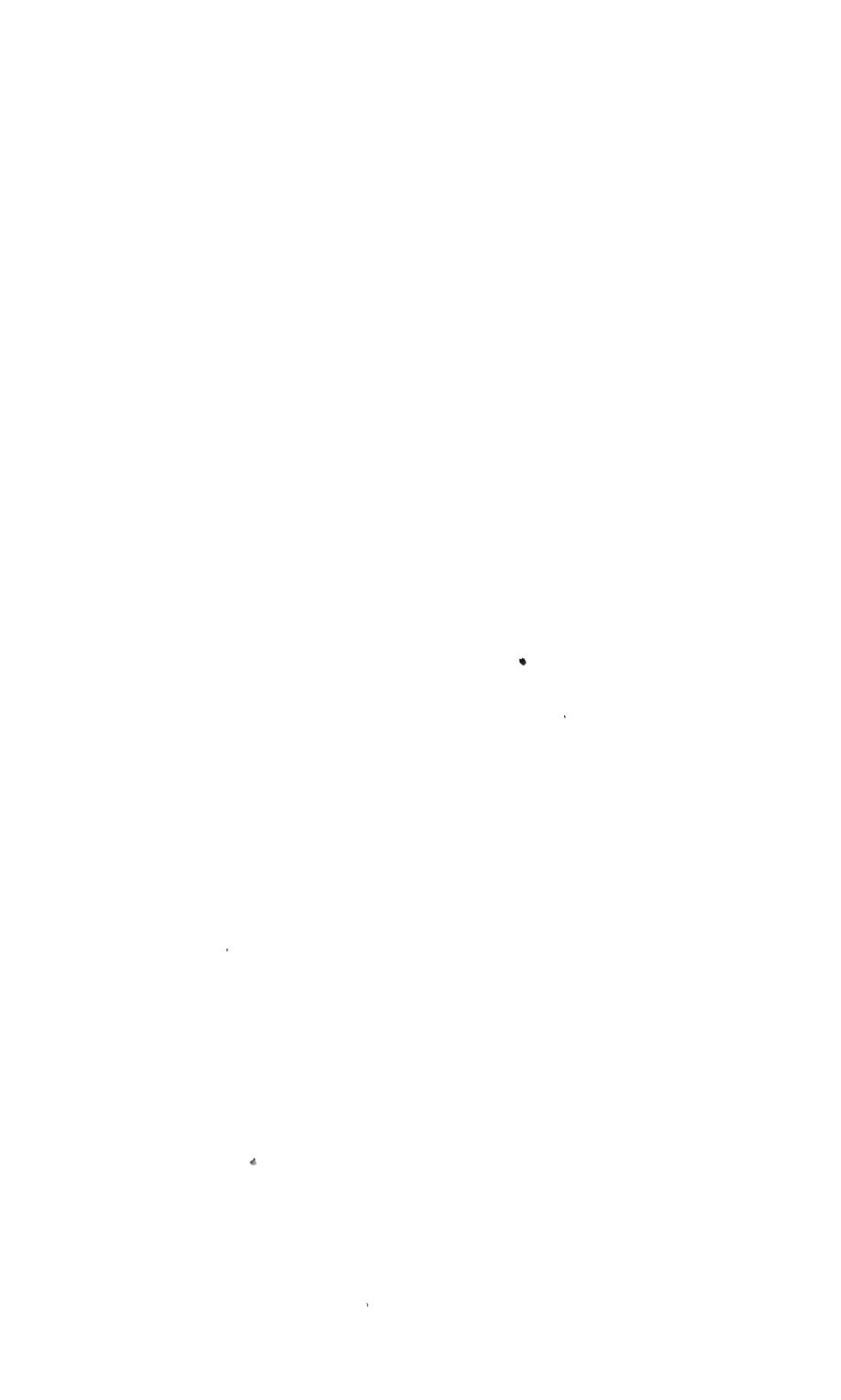
Essex ss. To m<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin ober Constable of the Town of Manchester Greeting—These are in his Majesties Name to will and require you forthwith to notifie and warn all The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have any Estate of Freehold in Lands [92] within This province or Territorys of Forty Shillings pr. annum at the least or other Estate to the Value of Fifty pounds Sterling to assemble at our meeting-House our usual place of Town Meeting on Monday the Fifteenth Day of March Anno Domini one Thousand Seven hundred and sixty two at Eight o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning Then and There to Elect and Depute Select Men : Overseers of the poor : Town Clerk, Constable and other Town officers as the Law directs. And to agree upon Granting such sum or sums of money as shall or may be adjudged needfull for the Relief of y<sup>e</sup> poor and defraying all other necessary Charges arising within the said Town. And also to see if the Town will raise a sum of money to mend the high-ways by a Rate : or wither y<sup>e</sup> Town will make a Division of the ways and allow Each person for his proportionable part of the said ways to Mend provided They will become obliged to keep Their respective parts in good Repair on penalty of Forfeiting such a sum as the Town shall deem proper to be mentioned in an obligation drawn for that purpose. And to agree upon any other Thing necessary to promote the Benefit of said town. Hereof fail not and Make Return of this your Warrant and your Doings Therein upon your peril unto myself Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of Meeting. By order of the Select-Men Manchester 27 : Feb<sup>y</sup>. 1762 Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball Town Clerk

a Return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was made  
before y<sup>e</sup> Time of meeting p<sup>r</sup>.

Benj<sup>a</sup>. Ober Constable

[92] Att a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on Monday the Fifteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1762 In order to Choose Town Officers to serve said Town the Ensuing year. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose Two wardens for y<sup>e</sup> ensuing year. 3<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose said wardens by a hand Vote 4<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for wardens Andrew Hooper & andrew woodberry 5<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen For a Town Clerk Benjamin Kimball. 6<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for select men Jonathan Herrick John allen Joseph whipple 7<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Town Treasurer Jonathan Herrick. 8<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Constable Benjamin Kimball. 9<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose the Rest of the Town officers This Day to Be Chosen By a hand Vote. 10<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Hogs Shall go at Large Being Yoked and Ring<sup>d</sup>. according to Law. 11<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Hog-Reves Richard Day John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. John Cheever Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. & Benjamin Ober 12<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Haywards Jacob Hooper Nehemiah Lee Benjamin Ober and Edmond Hovey. 13<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyor of Fences Jacob Allen Thomas Lee John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. and John Tewxbury. 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Tything Men Jeremiah Dow & Benjamin Kimball 15<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Measurer and Marker of Bords and Timber Thomas Lee, John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. and John Cheever. 16<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for sealer of Weights and Measures Thomas Lee. 17<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Sealer of Leather Elisha Allen 18<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cordors of wood Elisha Allen Joseph Knight Jeremiah Dow 19<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury John Forster Andrew Woodberry Samuel Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. & Jeremiah Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. 20<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for a pound Keeper Nehemiah Lee 21<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Inspector of Deer Samuel Carter 22<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Select Men This Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town the year Ensuing

[93] 23<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Highways for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year be divided into Eleven wards 24<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for surveyors of high-ways Jacob Hooper Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Tuck John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Jeremiah allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick sen<sup>r</sup>. John Harskell Thomas Lee



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<sup>s</sup> John Tewxbury <sup>s</sup> John Lee sen<sup>r</sup> <sup>s</sup> Benjamin ober 25<sup>ly</sup> Voted That the Select Men This Day Chosen shall assess the Town for y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Toppans Covenanted Salary the Ensuing year Fifty pounds. 26<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Select men this Day Chosen assess the Town Twenty-six pounds Thirteen shillings & four pence as a Gift for the Revnd Mr. Toppans Support y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year He getting The Ten Cord of wood that was usually got at the Cost and Charge of the Town 27<sup>ly</sup> Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select Men This Day Chosen shall assess the Town to defray the Charge of a Grammar School the Ensuing year Thirty pounds. 28<sup>ly</sup> Voted That the Select Men this Day Chosen Be a Committee to Lay out the Money Raised for a School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year in y<sup>e</sup> Best manner They Can To have one months schooling from this Time and the Remainder of the Money to Be Laid out in a School from some Time next Fall so as to keep untill the next annual March Meeting 29<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Select men this Day Chosen assess the Town Sixty five pounds to defray Town Charges. Essex ss. To Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball Constable of Manch<sup>r</sup> — Greeting — These are in his Majestys Name to will and require you forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at the Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pounds Sterling to assemble at the Meeting-House in Manchester on Thursday the Twentieth Day of this Inst May at Eight of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in the Morning Then and There to Make Choice of one person [94] being a Freeholder and Resident of Manchester to serve for and represent the said Town of Manchester in a great and general Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majesties service at the Court house in Boston upon Wednesday the Twenty Sixth Day of May Instant Hereof fail not & Make Return of This your Warrant and your Doings Therein unto our-selves Before the said Time of Meeting. John allen Joseph Whipple Select men of Manchester

A return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant

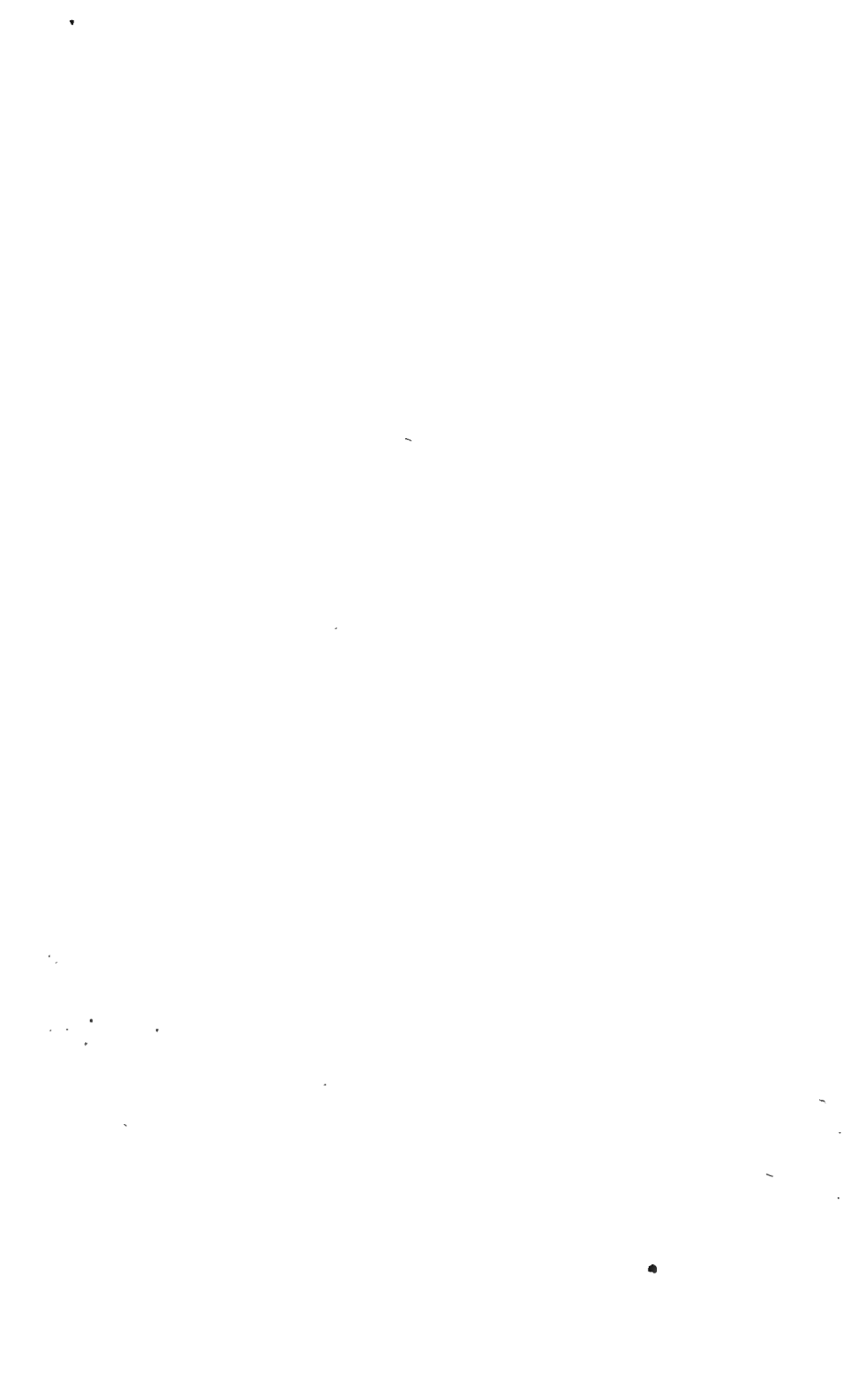
was made before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of

meeting pr. Benjamin Kimball Constable } Att a Town Meeting  
in Manchester Legally warned and Met together on Thursday y<sup>e</sup>  
Twentyeth Day of May Anno Domini 1762 in Order to Choose one  
person to represent y<sup>e</sup> said Town of Manchester at a great and  
general Court or assembly to be Convened & kept for his Majesties

service at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston upon wednesday the Twenty sixth Day of this Instant May. 1<sup>ly</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting 2<sup>ly</sup> It was put to Vote whether we should send a Representative to represent us at a great and general Court to be Convened & held at the Court-House in Boston on the Twenty Sixth Day Inst. and Voted in the Negative not to send one.

At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on Thursday the first Day of July 1762 In order to Choose Two Jurymen to serve at the next inferiour Court to be holden at Salem for and within the County of Essex on the second Tuesday of This Instant July 1<sup>ly</sup> Chosen as the Law directs to serve at the aforesaid Court Nathaniel Lee & 2<sup>ly</sup> Chosen Jacob Tewxbury

[95] At a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned and Convened on Thursday the Fourteenth Day of October 1762 in order to Choose Jury men to serve at the next Superiour Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on the Third Tuesday of this Inst. October. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting 2<sup>d</sup> Deacon John Allen and M<sup>r</sup> John Edwards were Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury at the aforesaid Court 3<sup>ly</sup>. was Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the Court aforesaid Lieut. Jacob Hooper and Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Att a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on monday the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of December Anno Domini one Thousand seven hundred and Sixty Two in order to Choose Three Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tuesday of this Instant Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Daniel Edwards was Chosen Grand Jury man for the year Ensuing 2<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials M<sup>r</sup> Aaron Bennett and M<sup>r</sup> William Allen. Essex s.s. To Benjamin Kimball Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting. These are in his majesties Name to will and require you forthwith to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have any Estate of Freehold in Land within This province or Territories of Forty shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup> or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Fifty pounds Sterling to assemble at our Meeting-House our usual place of Town-Meeting on Monday the Seventh Day of March Anno Domini one Thousand Seven hundred and sixty-Three at Eigt of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in the morning of said Day Then and There to Elect and Depute wardens Select men : overseers of the Poor : Town Clerk Constable & other [96] Town-officers as the Law





directs And to agree upon granting such sum or sums of money as shall or may be adjudged needfull for the Relief of the poor and defraying all other necessary Charges arising within y<sup>e</sup> same. And also to see if the Town will dispose of y<sup>e</sup> ministry Lot in the Cedar Swamp Division So-called. And to agree and Conclude upon any other matter or thing necessary to promote the Benefit of said Town

Hereof Fail not and make Return of this your Warrant and your Doings Therein upon your Peril before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of Meetings Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of Feby 1763

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|  | Joseph Whipple             | } Selectmen<br>of<br>Manchester |
| A Return of the above Warrant  | John Allen                 |                                 |
| was made before y <sup>e</sup> said Time of meeting pr Benj <sup>a</sup> . Kimball Constable | Jon <sup>a</sup> . Herrick |                                 |

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and met together on monday the seventh Day of march Anno Domini 1763. In order to choose Town officers to serve said Town the year ensuing. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Deacon Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick was chosen Moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting 2<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Wardens Joseph<sup>s</sup> Knight and Benjamin Ober<sup>s</sup> 3<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Town Clerk Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Kimball 4<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Select Men Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick: John<sup>s</sup> Allen & Joseph<sup>s</sup> Whipple. 5<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Town Treasurer Deacon Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick. 6<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Constable Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee 7<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose the rest of y<sup>e</sup> Officers to be chosen this day: by a hand Vote. 8<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Hogs might go at Large if yok'd & ring'd as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs. 9<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Hog Reves Samuel<sup>s</sup> Carter John<sup>s</sup> Edwards senr. Thomas<sup>s</sup> Poland Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards & Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Craft. 10<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Haywards Richard<sup>s</sup> Day John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury Moses<sup>s</sup> Dodge and Andrew<sup>s</sup> Hooper. 11<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyor of Fences Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ober: John<sup>s</sup> Edwards senr. John<sup>s</sup> Allen [97] Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. 12<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Tything-men Moses<sup>s</sup> Dodge & Thomas<sup>s</sup> Poland 13<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for measurers and markers of Bords & Timber Jn<sup>o</sup>. Edwards Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee & John<sup>s</sup> Cheever 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Sealer of Weights & measures Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee 15<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of Leather Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen 16<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Corders

of wood Jeremi Dow : Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen & Joseph<sup>s</sup> Knight. 17<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Cap<sup>n</sup>. John Forster Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> and John Tewxbury. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a pound Keeper Samuel<sup>s</sup> Carter 19<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Samuel<sup>s</sup> Carter. 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyor of Hoops Clapbords & Shingle John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury & John<sup>s</sup> Allen. 21<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Packer of Mackrell John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyors of High-Ways John<sup>s</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ober Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards : Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee : Joseph<sup>s</sup> Whipple : Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen : Richard<sup>s</sup> Day : Thomas<sup>s</sup> Poland : Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper, Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Craft & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Sen<sup>r</sup>. 23<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select men this day Chosen shall assess the Town the year Ensuing. 24<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select men this Day Chosen shall Assess the Town for the Reverend Mr. Toppans Covenanted Salary the Ensuing year Fifty pounds. 25<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select Men this Day Chosen assess y<sup>e</sup> Town as a Gift for the Reverend Mr. Toppans maintenance & support He Being at the Cost & Charge of geting his own Fir<sup>e</sup> Wood the ensuing year Thirty Three pounds sixteen shillings and eight pence 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select-Men this Day Chosen assess the Town to defray the Charge of a grammar school the year ensuing Thirty pounds. 27<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Inhabitants of Kettle-Cove have their part of y<sup>e</sup> abovesaid Thirty pound in proportion to their Tax : & are hereby debarred the Liberty of Sending to y<sup>e</sup> Town School : & other Town people of sending to their School 28<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select men this Day Chosen Lay out y<sup>e</sup> money voted for a School after Kettle Coves part is Assigned Them in the following manner viz. one month this Spring & the Remainder from some Time next Fall so as to keep untill or near march meeting. 29<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen Assess y<sup>e</sup> Town to defray Town Charges Sixty five pounds 30<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select-men This Day Chosen Be a Committee to sell y<sup>e</sup> ministry Lot in y<sup>e</sup> Cedar Swamp Division So called : by & with y<sup>e</sup> Consent of y<sup>e</sup> parson & put the money at Interest for y<sup>e</sup> Benefit of said Town. 31<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Committee to seat y<sup>e</sup> Meeting House Deacon Jonathan Herrick Deacon John Allen Andrew Woodberry : John Edwards John Tewxbury Jacob Hooper Joseph Knight Andrew Hooper & Elisha Allen. Essex s.s.







To Solomon Lee Constable of Manchester—Greeting—In his majesties Name you are hereby Required to warn all the Free-holders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of manchester That have an Estate of Freehold in Land within This province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at y<sup>e</sup> Least or other Estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of Forty pounds Sterling to assemble at the Meeting House in Manchester aforesaid on Monday the sixteenth Day of May next a Eight o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> Morning Then and There to Elect and Depute one Person Being a Freeholder, and Resident in y<sup>e</sup> said Town of Manchester to serve for and represent the said Town in a great and general Court or Assembly appointed to Be Convened held and kept for his Majesties service at the Court House in Boston on Wednesday the Twenty Fifth Day of May next Ensuing y<sup>e</sup> Date hereof and to Cause y<sup>e</sup> Person so Elected and Deputed by y<sup>e</sup> Major part of y<sup>e</sup> Electors present at y<sup>e</sup> said election to be Timely notified and summoned by yourself to attend his Majesties service in the great and general Court or Assembly on y<sup>e</sup> Day above prefixed by nine of y<sup>e</sup> o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> Morning and so de Die in Diem During These session or sessions Hereof Fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings Therein at or Before y<sup>e</sup> said Time of Meeting Dated a Manchester 20<sup>th</sup> April 1763

[98] A Return of y<sup>e</sup> above War- Jona. Herrick } Selectmen  
rant was made Before y<sup>e</sup> said meet- John Allen } of  
ing pr. Solomon Lee Constable Joseph Whipple } Manchester

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met together on monday y<sup>e</sup> sixteenth Day of May Anno Domini 1763. To Choose one person to Represent y<sup>e</sup> said Town of Manchester at a great & general Court or Assembly to be Convened & kept for his Majesties Service at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston upon wednesday the Twenty Fifth Day of This Instant May. 1ly. Jonathan Herrick Chosen Moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting. 2ly. Put to Vote whether we should send a Representative to Represent us at a great and general Court to Be Convened and held at y<sup>e</sup> Court House in Boston upon Wednesday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty fifth of May Inst. and Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Negative not to send one. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & met together on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> fifth Day of July 1763 In order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem for and within y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex on y<sup>e</sup> Second Tuesday of this Instant July 1ly. Chosen as y<sup>e</sup> Law directs John Harskell 2ly. was Chosen Benjamin Craft.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned & met together on monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of October Anno Domini 1763 in order to Choose Jury men to serve at the next superior Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Third Tuesday Inst. October 11y. Thomas Lee Chosen Moderator for said Meeting 2ly. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury Jonathan Herrick & Benjamin Kimball 3ly. Chosen to serve on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> said Court Jeremi Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. & John Tuck.

[99] To Solomon Lee—Constable of Manchester—Greeting—You are hereby required to notifie the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Qualified for Voting as the Law directs to Assemble at the Meeting-House in Manchester on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> Fifteenth Day of Decem<sup>r</sup> next at nine o'clock in the morning Then and There after the Choice of Jury men to see if the Town will Vote an additional sum of Money to That which was Voted at their annual Meeting in march Last towards paying Town Charges that have since unexpectedly arisen Fail not and make Return of This Warrant with your Doings thêrein at or before the said Meeting.

Manchester 30<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1763

A return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was made Before the Said meeting pr. Solomon Lee Constable

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| Jonathan Herrick | } | Select—men  |
| John Allen       |   | of          |
| Joseph Whipple   |   | Manchester. |

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Thursday the Fifteenth Day of December Anno Domini 1763 in order to Choose Jury men to serve at the next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tuesday of this Inst. and also to see if the Town will Vote to raise an additional sum of money to that Voted to be rais'd at their Annual Meeting in March Last in order to defray extraordinary & unexpected Town Charges since arisen. 1<sup>ly</sup> Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting 2<sup>ly</sup> Edward Lee was Chosen to serve as Grand Jury man for y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing. 3ly. Edward Hooper was Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the aforesaid Court. 4ly. Voted to Assess or Tax the Town Twenty-Four pounds Fifteen shillings & five pence to defray Town Charges.

[100] Essex s.s To Solomon Lee Constable of Manchester—Greeting You are hereby Required In His Majesty's Name to Warn all The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of





Manchester Qualified as the Law Directs to Vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday The fifth day of March Next at eight o'Clock in the Morning then And there to Elect and Depute Wardens select men overseers of the Poor Town Clerk Constable and other ordinary Town officers as the Law directs. And to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money as shall or may be adjudged Needfull for the Relief of the Poor and Defraying other Town Charges which May necessarily arise within the same. And to see if the Town will come into any new method to support and maintain there Poor. And to see if the Town will agree & Consent to sell for a Reasonable Consideration the Way that leads Through Pickworth's Lotts to Lobster Cove to John Forster. And furthermore to see if the Town will agree to choose a Committee to settle the Line between Ipswich and Manchester. And to agree upon any other Matter or thing that May tend to promote to Benefit of said Town. Hereof Fail Not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings therein at or before the said Meeting on your Perill.

Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Feb'y, A.D. 1764.

By order of the Select Men

Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk

A Return of the above  
Warrant was made at The  
said time of meeting pr.  
Solomon Lee Constable

[101] Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warned and assembled on Monday the Fifth day of March Anno Domini 1764—In order to Choose officers to serve said Town the year Ensuing 1ly. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting. 2ly. Chosen for Wardens Elisha Allen Jacob Hooper 3ly. Chosen for Select-Men John Allen John Twexbury & Joseph Whipple. 4ly. Chosen for Town Clerk Joseph Whipple. 5ly. Chosen for Town Treasurer Jonathan Herrick sener. 6ly. Chosen for a Constable Daniel Edwards. 7ly. Voted to Choose the rest of the officers to be Chosen this day by a hand Vote. 8ly. Voted the Hogs Might go at Large if Lawfully Yok'd and Ringed 9ly. Chosen for Hog Reves John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> Andrew Woodbury Edmund Hove Solomon Lee &

Ezekiel<sup>s</sup> Cheever 10<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Haywards Daniel Edwards<sup>s</sup>  
 Thomas Poland & Nehemiah<sup>s</sup> Lee 11<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for surveyors of  
 the Highways Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick sen<sup>r</sup> John Forster sen<sup>r</sup> Andrew  
 Hooper Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober<sup>s</sup> Andrew Woodberry John<sup>s</sup>  
 Allen Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow Thomas Poland<sup>s</sup> Moses Dodge Ezekiel<sup>s</sup>  
 Knowlton. 12<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen surveyors of Fences, Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick  
 Jun<sup>r</sup> John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> John Allen sen<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Ober. 13<sup>ly</sup>. Cho-  
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 Leather Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen. 17<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Corders of Wood Joseph<sup>s</sup>  
 Knight Elisha Allen Jeremiah Dow. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cullers  
 of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> John Forster sen<sup>r</sup> Samuel Allen sen<sup>r</sup>  
 Jeremiah Allen sen<sup>r</sup> John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> & Andrew Woodberry 19<sup>ly</sup>.  
 Chosen for Pound Keeper Samuel Carter 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for an  
 Inspector of Deer Samuel Carter 21<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for survey<sup>r</sup> of  
 Hoops Clapboards & shingles John Allen S<sup>n</sup> John Twexbury.  
 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Packer of Mackrel John Twexbury. 23<sup>ly</sup>.  
 Voted that the Select men this day Chosen shall assess the Town  
 for the Rev'd M<sup>r</sup> Toppan's Covenanted Sallary Fifty Pounds for  
 the Year Ensuing. 24<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select-Men this day Cho-  
 sen shall assess The Town Thirty three Pounds sixteen shillings  
 & eight pence as a Gift to the Rev'd M<sup>r</sup> Toppan Towards his sup-  
 port and Maintanance the Ensuing Year he Being at the Charge of  
 Geting his own Fire wood. 25<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Select Men this  
 day Chosen shall assess the Town Forty five Pounds Towards  
 Keeping and supporting of a Grammar School the Ensuing year.  
 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the People in that part of the Town called Kettle  
 Cove shall have there part of the above said sum to be Ras'd for  
 The support of a Grammar school in Proportion to there Taxes Not  
 being allowed to send to or to have any Benefit from the Schoole  
 kept in the Middle of the Town: and all the other Parts of the  
 Town are Debarred from the Liberty of sending to any schoole at







Kettle Cove. 27ly. Voted that the Select-Men this day Chosen shall after Deducting out Kettle Cove's part of the above said Forty five Pounds Lay out so much of said sum as will keep the schoole Three Months this Present Spring and the Remainder thereof to be Layd out so as to bring it to a close at or near the next Annual March Meeting. 28ly. Voted that the Said select Men shall assess the Town sixty-five Pounds to Defray Town Charges. 29ly. Voted to Choose a Comittee to settle the Line between the [102] Township of Ipswich and Manchester. 30ly. Chosen as a Committee to settle the said Line John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Herrick sen<sup>r</sup> John Forster sen<sup>r</sup> John Twexbury & Daniel Edwards 31ly. Voted that the said Committee shall have Full Power and Authority in every Respect to settle & Determine the said Line With Ipswich People. and if the People of Ipswich should Refuse to settle the said Line to sue them for a Final settlement.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warn'd and met together on Tuesday the 22<sup>d</sup> day of May, Anno Domini 1764: in order to Choose one Person to Represent the said Town at y<sup>e</sup> Great & General Court or Assembly to be Holden for His Majesty's service for the Present Year. 1ly. Put to Vote whether the said Town should send one or more Persons to Represent them at the s<sup>d</sup> Court And Voted in the Negative not to send any. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned and Assembled, on Tuesday the Third day of July A.D. 1764 in order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at the Next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem on the second Tuesday of July Instant. The Persons Drawn out of the Box to serve at said Court were: Ezekiel Cheever. 2ly. Ezekiel Knowlton.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warn'd and met together on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> Eleventh day of October 1764 in order to Choose Jury-Men to serve at the next Superiour Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on the Third Tuesday of this Instant October. 1ly. was chosen Joseph Whipple Moderater. 2ly Benjamin Ober and Andrew Woodberry were Chosen to serve on [103] the Grand Jury: and 3ly. John Morgan & John Cheever were Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials for the Above said Court.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned and Met together on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> Seventeenth Day of December 1764 in order to Choose Jury men to serve at the Next Superior Court

to be Holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of this Instant December. 1ly. was Chosen William Badcock Juner. to serve on Grand Jury for the year Ensuing 2ly. was Chosen Francis Craft & Solomon Day to serve on the Jury of Tryals. Essex s.s To Joseph Whipple Clerk of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—

You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name forthwith to Notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester qualified as the Law directs to meet at the Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the forth Day of March at Eight o'Clock in the Morning then & there to Elect & Depute Wardens: Select Men: overseers of the Poore: Town Clerk: Constable: & other Town officers as the Law Directs. And to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money as may be adjudged Needfull for the Relief of the Poore and to Defray all other Necessary Town Charges arising within the same. And to see if the Town will Come into some other Method Respecting the Poore And make Return of this Warrant with your Doings therein at the said Meeting.

Dated at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> Fifteenth

Day of Febr'y. AD. 1765.

Return was made of the above Warrant at said meeting pr. Joseph Whipple Clerk of said Town.

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| John Allen    | } | Select Men       |
| John Tewxbury |   | of<br>Manchester |

[104] Att a Meeting of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warned & Met to gether on Monday the forth Day of March A.D. 1765 Was Chosen as follows Viz: 1ly. Chosen Deacon Jonathan Herrick Moderator of said Meeting. 2ly. Chosen for Wardens Benj<sup>a</sup>. Orsment<sup>s</sup> & Thomas Poland<sup>s</sup> 3ly. Chosen Select-Men John Allen<sup>s</sup> Joseph Whipple<sup>s</sup> John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> 4ly. Chosen Town Clerk Joseph Whipple<sup>s</sup>. 5ly. Chosen Town Treasurer Deacon Jonathan Herrick<sup>s</sup> 6ly. Chosen Constable Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. 7ly. Voted to Choose the other officers by a hand Vote. 8ly. Voted for the swine to go at Large being yok'd & Ringd 9ly. Chosen Hog Reves Richard<sup>s</sup> Day, Jacob Hooper, Benj<sup>a</sup>. Orsment<sup>s</sup> Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee Moses<sup>s</sup> May. 10ly. Chosen Haywards Jacob Hooper, Richard<sup>s</sup> Day, Sam<sup>l</sup> Carter, John<sup>s</sup> Peard, Ezekiel Knowlton. 11ly. Chosen Surveyors of Fences Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee, Joseph





Knight, Deacon<sup>s</sup> John Allen, Andrew Woodbury. 12<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen<sup>s</sup> surveyors of High Ways Deacon Jonathan Herrick, Joseph Knight<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>. Benj<sup>a</sup> Orsment, Samuel Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Deacon John Allen, Thomas Ayres, John Tewxbury, Thomas Poland Solomon Lee Nehemiah Lee. 13<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Tything-Men Solomon Lee John Easkoot 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Measures & Markers of Boards & Timber Thomas Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. John Cheever. 15<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen sealer of Weights & Measres Thomas Lee 16<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Sealer of Leather Elisha Allen. 17<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Corders & Measurers of Wood Joseph Knight s<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Dow Solomon Lee. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. John Forster Samuel Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Jeremiah Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury Andrew Woodbury 19<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Pound Keeper samuel Carter sen<sup>r</sup>. 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Inspector of Deere Benj<sup>a</sup>. Ober. 21<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen surveyors of Hoops Clapboards & Shingles Deacon John Allen John Twexbury.

[105] 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Packer of Mackeral John Tewxbury. 23<sup>ly</sup>. Voted the Select-Men this Day Chosen shall be assessors 24<sup>ly</sup>. Voted the Select Men this Day Chosen shall Assess the Town for the Rev'd Mr. Toppan's Covenanted Salary Fifty Pounds. 25<sup>ly</sup> Voted the said select-Men shall assess the Town Thirty six Pounds thirteen shillings & four pence as a gift to Rev'd Mr. Toppan towards his support for the Present year. 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted fifty Pounds for a Gramer School, the People at Cittle Cove to Draw their Proportion of said Fifty Pounds for a schoole at s<sup>d</sup>. Cove, and to have no Benefit of the Schoole in the Middle of the Town. 27<sup>ly</sup>. Voted Fifty five Pounds to Defray Town Charges. 28<sup>ly</sup>. Voted the Select-Men shall hire a House for the Use of the Poore & such other Persons as are Partly or wholly supported by the Town, and to appoint an oversear over them, and provide Meat, Drink & Lodging sufficient for them, and stock for them to work on: or to take any other Method with any one or more of the said Persons as they shall Judge most for the Benefit of the Town. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warn'd and met to geather on Thursday the Fourth Day of July, 1765 for the Choyce of Two Jury Men to serve at the Next Inferiour Court to be Holden at Salem on the

second Tuesday of July Inst. The Person Chosen were 1ly. Obediah Carter 2ly Samu<sup>l</sup> Foster.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warn'd and Met to geather on Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of Octob<sup>r</sup>. 1765. In order to Coose two Jury Men to serve at the Next Superiour Court of Judicature to be holden at Salem on Tuesday the fourth Day of Novemb<sup>r</sup>. Next. 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator. 2ly. Jonathan Herrick sn. was Choosen to serve on the Grand Jury 3ly. John Tewxbury was Choosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Court.

[106] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warn'd and met to geather on Thursday the Twenty sixth Day of Decemb<sup>r</sup>. 1765 in order to Choose Three Jury Men 1ly. Cap. Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball was Choosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting. 2ly. James Lee was Choosen to serve on the Jury of Trials. 3ly. Will<sup>m</sup>. Stone was Choosen to serve on the s<sup>d</sup>. Jury of Trials at the next Inferiour Court of Common Please to be holden at Salem on the last Tuesday of Decemb<sup>r</sup>. next: 2ly. Jeremiah Dow was Choosen to serve on the Grand Jury for the Year Ensuing. Essex s.s.

To Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable of the Town of Manchester Greeting—You are hereby Required in His Majesty' Name, forthwith to Notify & warn the Freeholders & other Inhabitants in the Town of Manchester, that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province or Territory of Forty shillings per Annum at the Least, or other Estate to the value of fifty Pound sterling, to assemble at the Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the Tenth Day of March Next at Eight o'Clock in the Morning, then & there 1ly to Choose a Moderator, and then to Proceed to the Choice of other Town officers as the Law Directs: and to agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Money as shall there be adjudged Necessary for the Relief of the Poore, & Defraying all other Charges that has or may arise within the s<sup>d</sup> Town for the Insuing Year and Likewise to see if the Town will agree to have the Highways in said Town Maintained by a Rate. And to see if the Town will Dispose of those Persons that are partly or holly supported by the said to those that will bid most for them at the said Meeting. And to see if the Town will Choose a Committee to look after and Recover a Piece of Land now in the Improvement Cap. John Forster wich was formily Reserv'd for a Landing Place for the use of the said Town which Land lays between Maj<sup>r</sup>. Lee's







Island & Cap. Forsters ware house And make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon to one of the Select-Men two Days at least before the time of said Meeting. Dated at Manchester the Fourteenth Day of February in the sixth year of his Majesty's Reign Anno Domini 1766

A return of the above Warrant Joseph Whipple } Select-Men  
was made by Jonathan Herrick John Tewxbury } of  
Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable of said Town of John Allen } Manchester  
Manchester

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warned and assembled on Monday the Tenth Day of March A. D. 1766 in order to Choose Town officers for the Year Insuing, 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting 2ly. Joseph Whipple was Chosen Town Clerk. 3ly. Deacon John Alien Joseph Whipple & John Tewxbury was Chosen Select-Men and assessors 4ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Town Treasurer 5ly. John Cheever was Chosen Constable. 6ly. Voted that the rest of the officers to be chosen this Day shall be Chosen by a Hand Vote. 7ly. Richard Day & Solomon Lee was chosen wardens 8ly. Voted that the Hogs shall go at Large being Lawfully Yok'd & Ring'd. 9ly. Andrew Hooper Benjamin Orsment Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Richard Day Samuel Carter & William Badcock Chosen Hog Reves. 10ly. Benjamin Ober Ezekiel Cheever Thomas Poland John Edwards senr. Chosen Haywards. 11ly Dea. John Allen Jacob Hooper Andrew Woodbury Solomon Lee was Chosen Fence Viewers 12ly. Voted that the High-Ways in said [107] Town shall be Maintained by a Rate: 13ly. Voted that the High Ways shall be Mended between the Middle of April & last of Aug<sup>t</sup>. Extraordinary Casualties Excepted. 14ly. Voted Forty Pounds to be lay'd out on the High-Ways. 15ly. Voted the Select-Men shall be assessors for the above said sum of Forty Pounds for the High-ways. 16ly. Andrew woodberry John Tewxbury John Cheever Jacob Hooper Nehemiah Lee & Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Surveyors of the High-ways 17ly.

Voted that a Man shall have three shillings per Day and a good Yoke of oxen three shillings per Day, and that a Man shall work Ten Hours for a Day & a Teem Eight Hours for a Day. 18ly Nehemiah<sup>s</sup> Lee & Benja<sup>s</sup> Kimball Chosen Tything Men. 19ly. Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee John Edwards sr. & John Cheever was Chosen Measurers & Markers of Boards & timber. 20ly. Thomas Lee was Chosen sealer of weights & Measures. 21ly. Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen Chosen Sealer of Leather 22ly. John Tewxbury Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow & Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee Chosen Cordors of wood 23ly. John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esqr. Cap. John<sup>s</sup> Foster Andrew Woodbury John Tewxbury Samuel<sup>s</sup> Allen s<sup>n</sup>. Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Allen s<sup>n</sup>. Daniel Edwards & Andrew Marsters Chosen Cullers of Fish. 24ly. Samuel<sup>s</sup> Carter Chosen Pound keeper. 25ly Benjamin Ober Chosen Inspector of Deere 26ly. Dea. John Allen & John Tewxbury Chosen surveyors of Hoops staves Clap Boards & Shingles. 27ly. John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury Chosen Packer of Mackerl. 28ly. Voted Fifty Pound for the Rev'd Mr. Benjamin Toppans Covenanted salary. 29ly. Voted Thirty six Pound thirteen shillings & four pence as a gift to Rev'd Mr. Toppan 30ly. Voted Fifty Pounds for the support of a Grammar Schoole which is to be a Free Schoole for any & every part of the Town to send to, and to be [108] keep a Proportionable part of the time at that part of the Town Call'd Kettle Cove. & the Remaining part of the time to be kept in the Middle of the Town. Kittle Cove people to Provid a House for the Schoole to be kept in at there own Expençe. 31ly. Voted Fifty Pounds for to Defray Town Charges.

To John Cheever Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting.

You are hereby required forthwith to Notify & warn y<sup>e</sup> freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester qualified as the Law Directs to meet at the Meeting House in Manchester on Wednesday the Twenty first day of May Inst. at Seven o'clock in the Morning then & there to Elect & Depute one Person to Represent the s'd Town of Manchester at a Great & General Court or Assembly to be holden at Boston on Wednesday the Twenty Eighth Day of May Next. and to cause the Person so elected to be seasonably Notified to attend the service of s'd Court by Nine o'Clock in the Morning on s'd Day. And to make Return of this warrant





with your doings therein to myself two Days at least before the s'd Meeting.

Manchester May 5<sup>th</sup>., 1766

By order of y<sup>e</sup> Select Men  
 Joseph Whipple } T. Clerk  
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Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warned & Met to geather on Wednesday the Twenty first Day of May one Thousand seven hundred & sixty six in order to Coose one Person to Represent sd. Town at a Great & General Court or Assembly to be holden at Boston on Wednesday the Twenty Eighth Day of May Instant firstly put to Vote wheather the s<sup>d</sup>. Town should sent a Representative And voted not to send one

[109] Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warned and Meet to geather on Wednesday the Twenty fifth Day of June 1766 In order to Choose two Jury men to serve at the Next Inferior Court to be holden at Salem on the second Tuesday of July Next. firstly Jonathan Allen 3<sup>d</sup>. was Chosen secondly John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. was Choosen to serve as Jury-Men at said Court.

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warn'd and meet to geather on Monday the 27 Day of Octobr<sup>r</sup>. 1766 in order to Choose two Jury-Men to serve at the Next Superiour Court of Judicature, Court of Assize & General Goal Delivery to be Holden at Salem for the County of Essex on the first Tuesday of Novemb<sup>r</sup>. Next: firstly Thomas Lee was Chosen Moderator, 2ly John Allen was Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury 3ly Joseph Knight S<sup>n</sup>. was Chosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the said Court.

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warn'd and Meet together on Monday the 22<sup>d</sup>. Day Decemb<sup>r</sup>. 1766 for the Choice of Jury-Men, Thomas Poland was Chosen to serve on the Grand Jury and Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. and Joseph Leach Jun<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen to serve on the Petit Jury for Trials at the Court of General sessions of the Peace to be Holden at Salem for and within the County of Essex on the last Tuesday of Decemb<sup>r</sup>. Instant.

Essex s.s.

To John Cheever Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name to Notify and

warn the free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester qualified as the Law Directs to assemble at the meeting house in Manchester on Monday the Ninth Day of March Next at Eight o'Clock in the Morning then & there firstly to Choose a Moderator and then proceed to Choose Wardens, Selectmen, Town Clerk, overseers of the Poore, Town Treasurer, Constables, Surveyors of high ways, Tything men Fence Viewers, Clerk of Market Sealer of Leather, and other ordinary Town officers, and to agree upon Granting such sum or sums of money as shall be adjudged Necessary for the Relief of the Poore, and Defraying all other Necessary Town Charges, and to see if the Town will agree to sell the Ministry Land Laying by the Eastward side of the Meeting House for House lots and to Choose a Committee to sell it. and to see if the Town will Vote to have all the ox sleads in the said Town of Manchester to be four feet wide from out side to out side and to Annex a Penalty for Neglect of Conformity to the said Vote after the first Day of Decemb<sup>r</sup>. next. and Likewise to grant Liberty to any Person or Persons to Cut any ox Slead in two Lengthways that shall be used or Improved in any of the ways in said Town not agreeable to the above Dementions: and to see the Town will come into any new method to mend the High ways in said Town agreeable to any Plan that may be exhibited at the above said Meeting, or wether they shall be mended as they ware y<sup>e</sup> Last year, and to see if the Town will sell to M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Lee the Ministry Lot in Millets Swamp so Called: Reserving the wood thereon for the Ministry to Cut Twenty Years. and Likewise to see if the Town will Agree to Buye the House that the Widow Littlefield now lives in, and Take it Down and Rebuild it on some other Place of Ground for the said Widow to Live in. Dated at Manchester 17 Feb'y 1767

By order of the Select Men Joseph Whipple  
a Return of the above Warrant was made at the } T. Clerk  
said Meeting pr John Cheever Constable of Manchester }

[110] Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warned and Assembled on Monday the Ninth Day of March A.D. 1767 in order to Choose Town officers for the year Insuing 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for the said Meeting. 2ly John Tewxbury was Chosen Town Clerk 3ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick Deacon John Allen & John Tewxbury was Chosen Select Men. 4ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was







Chosen Town Treasurer. 5ly William Badcock was Chosen Constable. 6ly Voted that all the other officers should be Chosen by a hand Vote. 7ly Daniel Edwards & Obed Carter was Chosen wardens. 8ly Voted that Hogs should go at Large being yoked & Ringed according to Law. 9ly Daniel Edwards Aaron Lee Andrew Woodberry John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> and Obed Carter was Chosen Hog Reeves, 10ly John Tewxbury, Benjamin Orsment, Jacob Hooper, & Nathan Lee was Chosen Haywards, 11ly Andrew Hooper, Solomon Lee Deacon John Allen and Benjamin Ober, was Chosen fence Viewers. 12ly Voted that the High-way shall Be Maintained by a Rate. 13ly Voted that every head shall work one Day or pay three shillings. 14ly Voted that the High-ways shall Be Mended between the first of April and the Last of August. 15ly Voted that the Select Men shall be assessors. 16ly Voted that the assessors shall assess the Town three shillings pr head & one penny on a Pound on the Income of Estates to Defray the Charges of mending the highways all Vessels Excluded. 17ly Voted that every man shall have Liberty to work out his Rate at the Request of the surveyor and every good Yoke of oxen shall have three shillings pr Day. 18ly Andrew Woodberry John Tewxbury Deacon Jonathan Herrick Jacob Hooper Jeremiah Dow & Nehemiah Story was Chosen surveyors of High-ways. 19ly Voted that every man shall be obliged to go at the surveyors Call to shovel snow any Time when the ways shall be full. 20ly Voted that the Surveyors shall be Collectors to Collect the High-way Tax. 21ly Voted that the assessors shall Make the High-way Tax [111] by the Inventory of the year 1766. 22ly Voted that the surveyors shall be obliged to render in an account of all the work they shall Do on the highways to the Select men at the Close of the year, and in Case any of them shall work more than his Rate shall Draw his pay from the surveyor of the same ward the Next year. and in Case any of the surveyors shall not work out his Rate shall pay it to the Next surveyor of the same Ward. 23ly Aaron Lee and Moses Dodge were Chosen Tything Men. 24ly Thomas Lee John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup> and John Cheever were Chosen Measures and Markers of Boards and Timber. 25ly Thomas Lee was Chosen sealer of weights and Measures. 26ly

Elisha Allen was Chosen sealer of Leather. 27,ly John Tewxbury Jeremiah Dow and Solomon Lee ware Chosen Cordors of wood. 28,ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Andrew Woodberry Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Jeremiah Allen, Daniel Edwards Andrew Marsters and John Tewxbury ware Chosen Cullers of Fish. 29,ly Jacob Hooper & Benjamin Ober ware Chosen Inspector of Deer. 30,ly John Tewxbury and Obed Carter ware Chosen surveyors of staves Hoops Clabboards & Shingles and also packers of Fish & Mackrell 31,ly Obed Carter was Chosen Pound Keeper. 32,ly Aaron Lee & Elizar Craft ware Chosen Weighers of Bread. 33,ly Voted fifty pounds for the Rev.<sup>n</sup>d. M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Toppans Covnanted sallary 34,ly Voted Thirty six pounds thirteen shillings & four pence as a Gift to y<sup>e</sup>. Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Toppan. 35,ly Voted twenty pounds for the suport of a Grammar Schoole 36,ly Voted that the Select Men shall be a Committee to Lay out the Money for a Grammar School Master. 37,ly Voted fifty Pounds to Defray Town charges 38,ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Dea. John Allen Daniel Edwards and John Tewxbury was Chosen a Committee to sell the Ministry Land to the Eastward of the Meeting House into House Lotts, and also the Ministry Lot in Millets Swamp Reserving the wood for the Ministry for 20 years and Take security for the same and the Intrest of said Money to be for the use of the Ministry for ever [112] 39,ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Dea : Jonathan Herrick Dea : John Allen Andrew Woodberry Daniel Edwards Andrew Marsters John Edwards s<sup>u</sup>. Jacob Hooper Samuel Foster Aaron Lee & John Tewxbury ware Chosen a Committee to seat the Meeting House 40,ly Voted that if any Man shall be found sleding with an ox sled under three foot & ten Inches wide any Time after the first Day of Desember Next shall forfit and pay the sum of six shillings, and so for every Day that he shall Be found so Doing after the said first Day of December Deacon John Allen and Jacob Hooper, Voted in the Negative. 41,ly Voted that the Select Men shall make out their account against William Jones Jn<sup>r</sup>. and Deduct it out of said Jones Estate and return him the Rest

Jonathan Herrick Moderater

Essex s.s.

To William Badcok Constable of the Town of Manchester.  
Greeting These are In his Majesties Name to will and Require you





forthwith to Notify & warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have a freehold in Lands within the province or Territory of forty shillings per annum at the Least, other Estate to the value of forty Pounds sterling, to Assemble at our Meeting on Wensday the 20<sup>th</sup>. Day of May Instant at seven O'clock in the Morning then & there to Elect and Depute one or more persons (Being freeholders and Resident in This Town) to serve for and Represent us in a Great & General Court or Assembly Appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majesties service at the Court House in Boston upon Wensday the Twenty Seventh Day of May Instant. And also to see if the Town will Raise Money to purches a House estate and Build a House in some part of the Town for the use of the poor of the Town. [113] and also to see if the Town will Choose a Committee to Do the same, or come into some other Method Relating to the poore. And also to see if the Town will grant Liberty to Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Lee Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Thomas Lee Daniel Edwards Andrew Woodberry John Tewxbury and others to set up Two Gates, one at the end of the Lane Eastward from John perrys House, the other at the end of the Lane Northward from Thomas Polands House & make Return of this warrant with your Doings to myself at or before ye<sup>e</sup>. s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting.

Manchester May 4, 1767.

Return of the above said  
Warrant was Made at the  
said Meeting pr William Badcock  
Constable

By order of the Selectmen  
John Tewxbury T. Clerk  
of Manchester

Att Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Leagaly Warn,d and Met to gether on Wensday the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1767. in order to Choose one or more persons to Represent the said Town in a great and General Court to Convened and held att Boston on Wensday the twenty seventh Day of May Instant. 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chooosen Moderator for said Meeting 2<sup>dly</sup> was put to Vote to see wether we should send any person to Represent the Town at a Great and General Court to be Convent and held as afore said. Voted in the Negitive Not to send any person. 3<sup>ly</sup> Voted to Give Liberty to Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Lee Leut. Thomas Lee Andrew Woodberry Daniel Edwards John Tewxbury and others to set up two gates one at the end of the Lane Eastward from John Perrys House the other Northward from Thomas Polands House

[114] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagaly Warned and Met to gether in order to Choose two Jury Men on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of October 1767 at Eight o'clock in the Morning, also to see if the Town will Raise Money to Build or Buye a House for the Poor. firstly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen Moderator. 2ly. Nehemiah Story was Choosen Grand Juryman. 3ly Jacob Allen was Choosen Jurier of Trials. 4ly Voted to Buy or Build a House and also a small piece of Land for the Convenience of said House for the use of the Poor. 5ly Voted that the assessors shall assess the Town forty two Pounds to Buy or Build a House for the use of the Poor or the family of the Littlefields. 6ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick, Deacon John Allen & John Tewxbury was Choosen a Committee to Build or Buy the above said House.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagly warned and Met together on the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of December Anno Domini 1767. in order to Choose three Jury men one on the Grand Jury and two on the Jury of Trials at the Nex Inferior Court to holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of December Instant, firstly Andrew Masters was Choosen Grand Jury man, 2ly Malachi Allen and Nath<sup>l</sup>. Haskell ware Choosen to serve on the Jury of Trials at the aforesaid Court.

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Leagally Warned and Met together on Monday the seventh Day of March A. D. 1768. in order to Choose Town officers for the year Insuing 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Choosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting 2ly. John Tewxbury was Choosen Town Clerk. 3ly Deacon John Allen [115] Andrew Woodberry and John Tewxbury was Choosen Select-men 4ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Choosen Town Treasurer, 5ly. Aaron Lee was Choosen Constable. 6ly Voted to Choose all the other officers by a hand Vote. 7ly Samuel Foster & Jonathan Allen 3<sup>d</sup>. was Choosen Wardens, 8ly Benj<sup>m</sup>. Orsment Solomon Lee Jonathan allen 3<sup>d</sup>. and Joseph Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>. was Choosen Hog Reves, 9ly Jacob Hooper Thomas Poland Eleazer Craft & Stephen Danford was Choosen Hay wards, 10ly. John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. Stephen Allen Benjamin Ober and Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. was Choosen Fence Viewers: 11ly Voted that the Select-men shall be assessors. 12ly Voted to Mend the High-ways in the same way and Manner







that they were Mended in the year 1767. 13ly. Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> Deacon Jonathan Herrick<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Nehemiah Story<sup>s</sup> and Obid Carter was Chosen Surveyors of High-ways. 14ly Voted to Enter all the Votes Relating to the High-way that was Voted in the year 1767. 15ly Voted that the assessors shall asses the Town three shillings a head, and one penny on the Income of Estates to Defray the Charge of Mending the High-ways 16ly Voted that Every man shall have Liberty to work out his Rate at the Request of the Surveyor and that every good yoke of oxen shall have three shillings a Day, 17ly Voted that every man shall be obliged to go at the surveyors Call to Shovel snow any Time when the way shall be full. 18ly Voted that the Surveyors shall be Collectors of the High-way Tax. 19ly. Voted that the assessors shall make the High-way Tax by the Inventory of the year 1766. 20<sup>th</sup>ly Voted that Every Surveyor shall Render in an account of all the work they shall do on the High ways to the Select-men at the Close of the year. and in Case any of the surveyors shall work more than his Rate shall Draw it from the surveyor of same ward the Next year and in Case any surveyor shall not have workt out his Rate shall pay it to the Next surveyor of the same ward. 21ly John Edwards<sup>s</sup> Jun<sup>r</sup> and Nehemiah<sup>s</sup> Lee was Chosen Tything men. 22<sup>d</sup>ly. Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee was Chosen sealer of weights and measures. 23<sup>d</sup>ly Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen was Chosen sealer of Leather 24<sup>th</sup>ly John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow & Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee was Chosen Corders of wood. 25<sup>th</sup>ly John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Andrew<sup>s</sup> Woodberry Samuel<sup>s</sup> Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Andrew<sup>s</sup> Masters Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards and John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury was Chosen cullers of fish 26<sup>th</sup>ly. Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper & Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ober was Chosen Inspector of Deer. 27<sup>th</sup>ly John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury and Obid<sup>s</sup> Carter was Chosen Cullers of hoops staves and shingles, packers of Mackrell and Meeters. 28ly. John<sup>s</sup> Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. John<sup>s</sup> Cheever and Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee was Chosen Measurers and markers of Bords and Timber, 29ly. Obed Carter was Chosen pound keeper, 30ly voted fifty Pounds for the Revnd M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan's Covenanted Sallary. 31ly Voted for the Revnd<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Toppan as a Gift thirty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence. 32ly

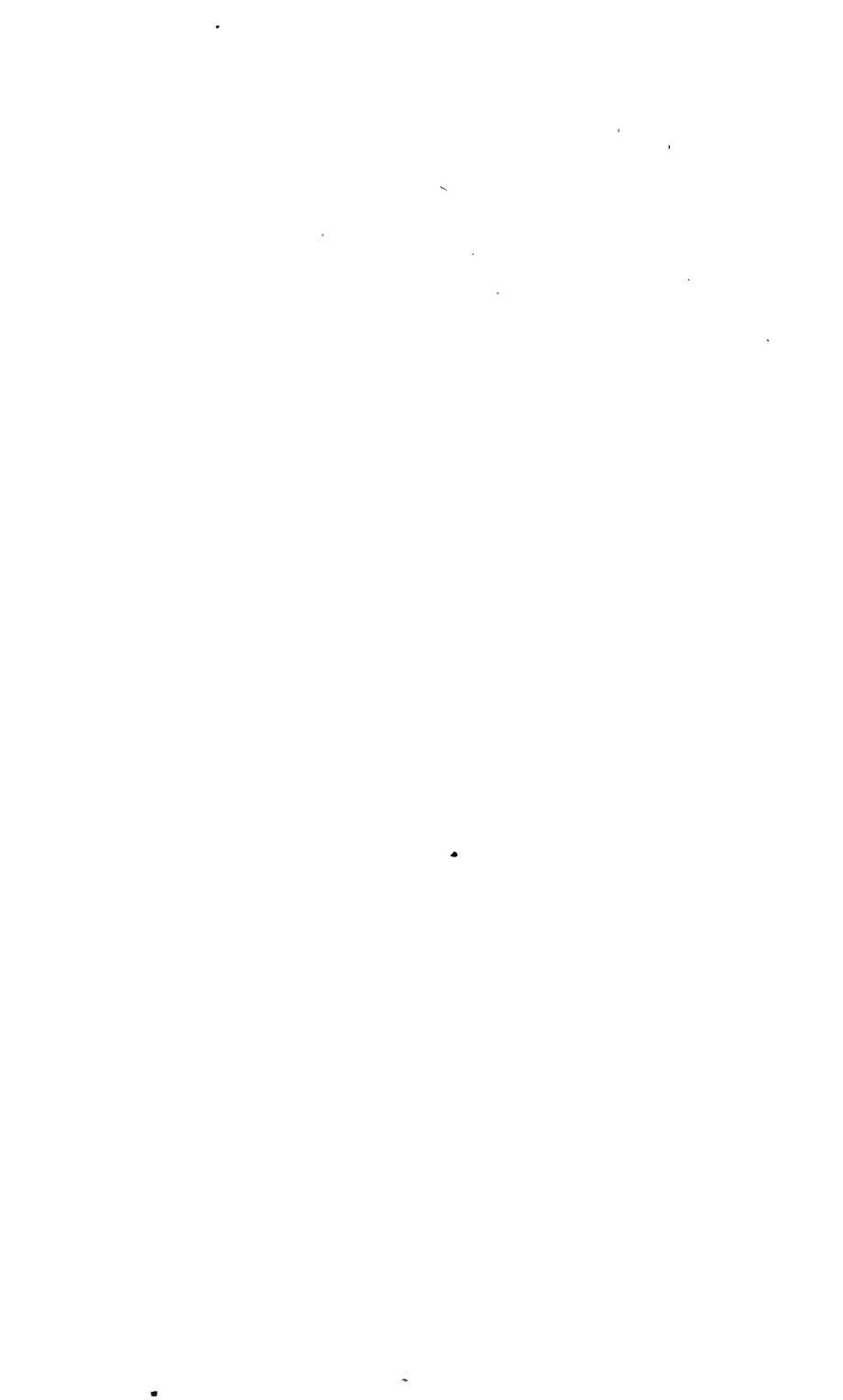
Voted to Defray the Charges of a Grammer School forty five pounds. 33ly Voted that Kittle Cove shall have Liberty of the School one Month and Newport half a month. 34ly Voted to Defray Town Charges Eighty pounds, 35ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Stephen Allen Daniel Edwards Deacon John Allen Andrew Woodberry and John Tewxbury was Chosen a Committee to Lay out a way from Jacob Allens Barn to the Stone Bridge to the Eastward of John Lyndalls House and to Treat with Aaron and Moses Bennett and John Cheever to see if [116] they will sell to the Town a way through their Land, in order to turn the way that goes over Bennetts Hill

Essex ss. To William Badcock Constable of the Town of Manchester Greeting—You are hereby Required in his Majesties Name to Notify and warn the freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester qualified as the Law Directs to assemble at the Meeting house in Manchester on Monday the seventh day of March Next at Eight o'clock in the Morning, then and there firstly to Choose a Moderator and then to proceed to Choose Wardens selectmen, Town Clerk, overseers of the poor, Town Treasurer Constable, Surveyors of highways, Tything-men, Fence viewers, Clarke of the Markett Sealers of Leather, and other Ordinary Town Officers, and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of money as shall be adjudged necessary for the Relief of the poor, and Defraying all other Necessary Town Charges, as mending high-ways &c. And to see if the Town will agree to Buy a way through Bennetts and Cheevers Land in order to turn the way that goes over Bennets Hill, and allso to Layout a way from Jacob Allens Barn to the Stone Bridge to the Eastward of John Lyndalls House, and to Choose a Committee to do the same, and also to Choose a Committee to Clear the Highway from Incumbrance by wood or any other thing whatsoever. Hereof fail not and make Return of this your Warrant with your doings therein unto myself at or before the said meeting.

Dated at Manchester the 20<sup>th</sup>

Return of the above s<sup>d</sup>. Feb. 1767 By order of the Selectmen  
 Warrant was made at said John Tewxbury  
 meeting pr William Badcock Town Clerk  
 Constable of Manchester

[117] Essex s.s. To Aaron Lee Constable of the Town of Manchester. Greeting In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forth to Notify and warn the freeholders or other Inhabi-





tants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of free hold in Land within this Province or Territorys of forty shillings pr Annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of forty Pound Sterling, to Assemble at the Meeting House in s<sup>d</sup>. Manchester on Saterday the twenty first day of this Instant May at six o'clock in the Morning: then and there to Elect and depute one or More Persons (being free holders and Resident in the same Town) to Serve for and Represent us at a great and General Court or Assembly apointed to be Conven'd held and kept for his Majesties Service at the Court House in Boston upon Wensday the twenty fifth day of this Instant May. Hereof fail not and Make Return of this Warrant with your doings at or before the s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting Manchester May 6, 1768 By order of the Selectmen

John Tewxbury T. Clerk

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legaly warned and Mettogether on Saterday the twenty first day of May one thousand seven hundred and sixty Eight in order to Choose one or Persons to Represent s<sup>d</sup>. Town at a great and General Court or Assembly to be holden at Boston on Wensday the twenty fifth day of May Instant. Voted not to send one. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on the fifth day of July one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight Legaly warned and Met together in order to Choose two Jury-men to Serve at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on the Second Tuesday of July Instant. [118] firstly Benjamin Craft Secondly Eliazer Craft was Chooosen Jury men to serve at the above s<sup>d</sup>. Court.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legaly warned and Met together on Monday the twenty fourth day of October one thousand seven Hundred and Sixty Eight in order to Choose two Jury-men one to serve on the grand Jury and one on the Jury of Tryals, at the Next Superior Court to be holden at Salem on the first Tuesday of November firstly Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. was Chooosen Grand Juryman 2<sup>d</sup>ly John Edwards Sen<sup>r</sup>. was Chooosen Jurer of Trials to serve at the above s<sup>d</sup>. Court. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legaly warn'd and met together on Monday the Nineteenth day of December one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight in order to Choose three Jury-men one to serve on the Grand Jury and two on the Petit Jury firstly Jonathan Brown was Chooosen Grand Juryman Secondly John Grant and Ebenezar Lee was Chooosen Pettit Jury-men to serve at the Next Inferiour Court to be

holden at Salem on the Last Tuesday of this Instant December. Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. Aaron Lee Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—you are Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to Notifie and warn the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester qualified as the Law directs to assemble at the Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the Twentieth Day of this Instant March at Eight o'Clock in the morning Then and there firstly to Choose a Moderator and then to proceed to Choose Wardens: Town Clerk, Select-men Overseers of the Poor Town Treasurer Constable: Surveyors of high Ways Tything men Fence Viewers Clark of the Markett: and other ordinary [119] Town Officers as the Law Directs and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money as shall be adjudged necessary for the Relief of the Poor and defraying all other Necessary Charges and to see if the Town will agree to Build a work House: and Choose a Committee to do the same: and to see if the Town will sell the House that the Littlefields live in: and to choose a Committee to do the same and Likewise to see if the Town will agree to pay Doctor Woodbury for Doctoring the French Woman or allow his acct<sup>t</sup>. or any Part Thereof Hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings therein unto myself at or before y<sup>e</sup> said Meeting.

By order of the Select Men

A Return of y<sup>e</sup> above Warrant John Tewxbury Town Clerk  
was made at the Time Prefixed Dated at Manchester March 2<sup>d</sup>  
in said Warrant. Pr. Aaron 1769  
Lee Constable

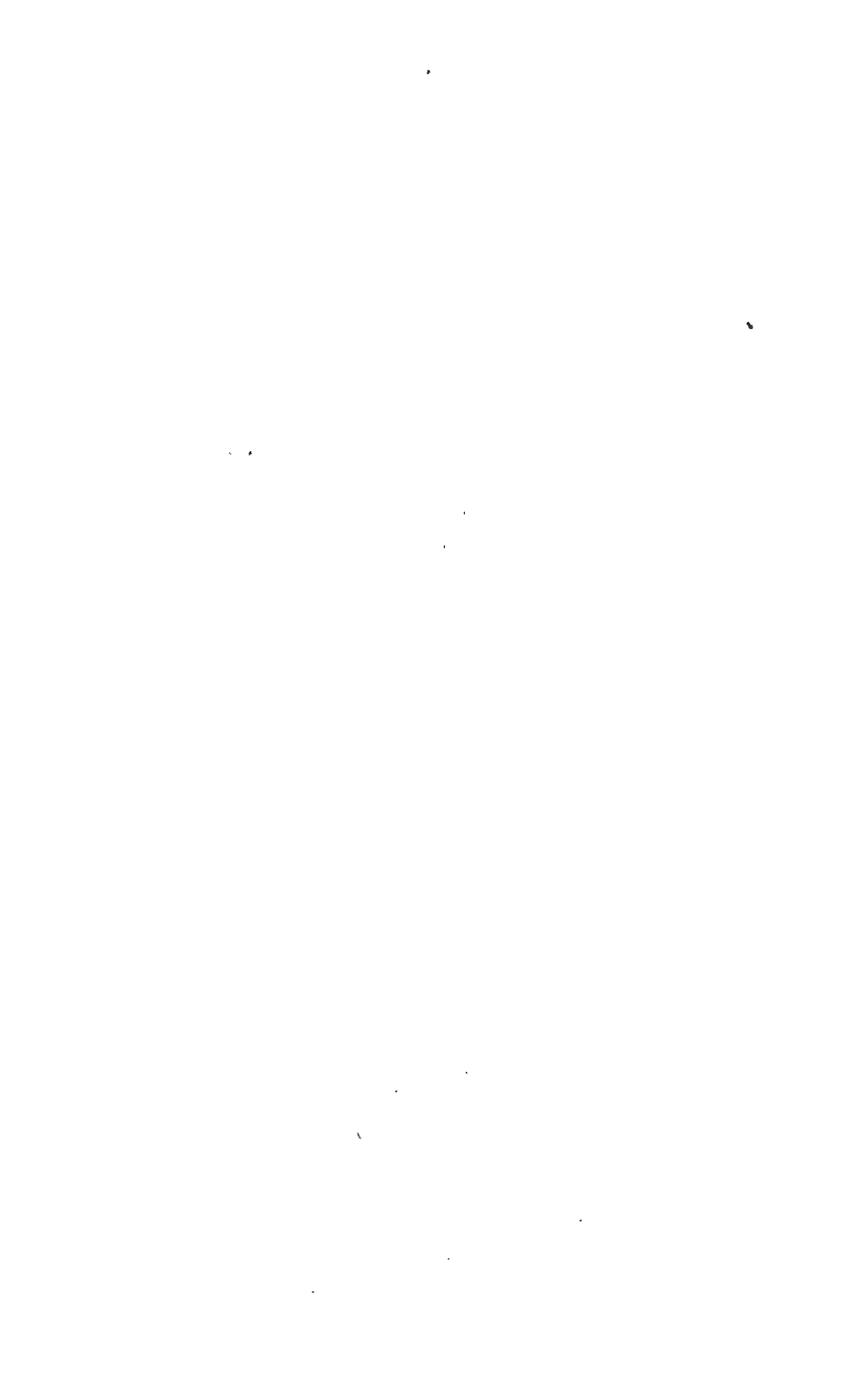
At a Town Meeting in Manchester on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup>. Day of March Anno Domini 1769 in Order to Choose Town Officers & to Raise Money to Defray Town Charges. 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was chosen Moderator 2ly Chosen for Wardens William Badcock and Nathan Lee 3ly Chosen for Select-Men Deacon Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick: Aaron Lee: and Benjamin Kimball. 4ly Chosen for Town Clerk Benjamin Kimball

5ly Chosen for Town Treasurer Deacon Jonathan Herrick

6ly Chosen for Constable Obed Carter

7ly Voted to Choose all the other Officers to be Chosen at this Meeting by a hand Vote. 8ly Chosen for Hog Reeves Ezekiel Knowlton Benj<sup>a</sup>. Ober: Eleazar Craft: Francis Knight Edward







Lee 9<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Swine go at Large the Ensuing year: being yok'd & ring'd according to Law. 10<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Hayward Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Stephen Danford<sup>s</sup> Nehemiah Lee<sup>s</sup> Samuel Fors-  
 ter 11<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for surveyor of Fences John Edward<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>. Ste-  
 phen Allen<sup>s</sup> Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury 12<sup>ly</sup>. Voted the  
 Select men this Day Chosen be Assessors to Assess the Town the  
 year Ensuing 13<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to mend the high Ways the Ensuing  
 year in the same Way and Manner as They were mended in  
 the year 1767 & 1768 and also to Enter all the Votes Relating to  
 the high Way that was Voted in the years 1767 & 1768 14<sup>ly</sup>. Cho-  
 sen for Surveyors of high ways Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Nehemiah Storer<sup>s</sup>  
 Obed Carter<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Herrick sen<sup>r</sup> Ensign Andrew Woodberry &  
 John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. 15<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Assessors shall assess the  
 Town Three Shillings pr. head and one Penny on y<sup>e</sup> Income of  
 Estates to Defray the charges of mending the high ways 16<sup>ly</sup>.  
 Voted that Every man shall have Liberty to work out his Rate at  
 the Request of the Surveyor: and that Every good Yoke of Oxen  
 shall have Three shillings pr. Day. 17<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Every Man  
 shall be obliged to go at the surveyors Call to shovel snow any  
 Time when the Way shall be full. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Survey-  
 ors shall be Collectors of the High Way Tax. 19<sup>ly</sup> Voted the As-  
 sessors shall make the high Way Tax by the Inventory of the year  
 1766 20<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Every surveyor shall Render an Account of  
 all the Work They shall do on the high Way to the Select Men at  
 the Close of the year and in Case any of the Surveyors shall work  
 more than his Rate shall draw it from the surveyor of the same  
 Ward the next year & in any case any surveyor shall not have  
 work't out his Rate shall pay it to the next Surveyors of the same  
 Ward [120] 21<sup>ly</sup>. Voted for Tything Men Jacob Tewxbury &  
 Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of Weights & Meas-  
 ures Thomas Lee 23<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of Leather Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup>  
 24<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cordors of wood John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> Jeremiah Dow<sup>s</sup>  
 Daniel Edwards & Solomon Lee 25<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cullers of Fish  
 John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Edwards<sup>s</sup> Andrew Marsters<sup>s</sup> Samuel Allen<sup>s</sup>

sen<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> and John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> 26<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Benjamin Ober<sup>s</sup> 27<sup>ly</sup> Chosen for Cullers of Hoops Staves & Shingles & Packers of Mackrel John Tewxbury<sup>s</sup> Obed Carter<sup>s</sup> 28<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Measurers and Markers of Bords & Timber John Edwards<sup>s</sup> sen<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> & John Cheever. 29<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Pound Keeper Obed Carter<sup>s</sup>. 30<sup>ly</sup>. It was Voted that the preceeding Votes at this Meeting stand good as tho the Clerk had been sworn immediately upon his Choice. 31<sup>ly</sup>. Voted Fifty Pounds £50 Pounds for the Revnd. M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary the Ensuing year. 32<sup>ly</sup>. Voted as a Gift for the Revnd. M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan the Ensuing Forty Three Pounds. 33<sup>ly</sup>. Voted for the support of a Grammar School the Ensuing Year Forty Five Pounds. 34<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Kettle Cove have the Benefit of said schools Being kept there one Month the Ensuing Year. 35<sup>ly</sup>. was Voted Ninety Pounds to defray Town Charges the Ensuing Year. 36<sup>ly</sup> Voted that the Select Men this Day Chosen settle Doct<sup>r</sup>. Woodberry's acc<sup>t</sup>. with him for Doctoring the French Woman in the Best Manner they can. 37<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Deacon Jonathan Herrick Stephen Allen and Solomon Lee be a Committee to lay out a high Way thro the Common from East Corner of a Lot Belonging to the Heirs of Thomas Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>. Deceas'd to the south Corner of a Lot Belonging to Jon<sup>a</sup>. Dodge of Beverly.

Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup> Obed Carter Constable of the Town of Manch<sup>r</sup> —Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to Notifie and warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Free hold in Land within this Province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of Forty Pounds Sterling to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Wednesday the Twenty fourth Day of this Inst. May : at six o'Clock in the Morning then and there to Elect and depute one or more Persons being Freeholders & Resident in the same Town to serve for & represent us at a great & general Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened held & kept for his Majesties service at the Court house in Boston upon Wednesday the Thirty first Day of May Inst. Hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant & y<sup>r</sup>. Doings therein unto myself at or before the said Time of Meeting.





Manchester May 13, 1769

By order of the Select Men  
Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk

A Return of the above  
Warrant was made at the  
Time Prefixed in sd. War-  
rant By Obed Carter Con-  
stable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Warned and Convened on Wednesday the Twenty fourth Day of May Anno Domini 1769: in order to Choose one or more persons to serve for and Represent said Town at a great and general Court y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year. 1<sup>ly</sup>. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Chosen Moderator of said Meeting. 2<sup>ly</sup>. Was Put to Vote Whether the Town would send any Person to represent [121] them at y<sup>e</sup> said Court & Voted in the Negative not to send any.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the Third Day of July Anno Domini 1769. in order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on the Second Tuesday of July Instant. Was Chosen Ezekiel Knowlton & John Cheever to serve as Jury men at the said Court

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester legally warned and met together on Monday the Twenty Third Day of October one Thousand Seven hundred & sixty nine in Order to Choose Two Jury Men one to serve on the Grand-Jury & one on the Jury of Trials at the next superior Court to be holden at Salem on the first Tuesday of November next. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Grand Jury man Deacon Jon<sup>a</sup> Herrick. 2<sup>ly</sup>. Andrew Woodberry chosen Juror of Trials.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester legally Warned and Met together on Wednesday the Twentieth Day of December Anno Domini one Thousand Seven hundred and sixty nine in Order to Choose Three Jury men Viz one to serve on the Grand Jury: and Two on the Jury of Trials Firstly Edward Hooper was Chosen Grand Jury Man for y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year Secondly Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. and Benjamin Bennett, were Chosen to serve on the Petit Jury at the next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem in the County of Essex on the Last Tuesday of December Instant.

Essex s.s.

To M<sup>r</sup> Obed Carter, Constable of the Town of Manchester—  
Greeting

You are hereby required in his Majesties Name forthwith to no-

tife and warn all the Free holders and Other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province or Territory of forty shillings per Annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of Fifty Pound Sterling to assemble at y<sup>e</sup> Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the fifth Day of March next at Eight of the Clock in y<sup>e</sup> Morning of said Day Then and There to Choose a Moderator for said Meeting. and also to make Choice of Wardens Select Men Town Clerk: Overseers of the Poor: Town Treasurer: Constables and all other Town Officers as the Law Directs. And to agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Money as shall or may be deem'd needfull for the relief of the Poor: and defraying all other Town Charges arising within the same And likewise to see if the Town will lay out a high-way thro' the Great Neck so called down by Mr. Procters House to the Landing Place and also settle the Bounds of Said Landing And further to see if the Town will come into some Measures respecting the Landing Place by the Meeting House which has been so long Encumbered to the Damage: if not Danger of the Inhabitants of said Town in passing and repassing over the same: and also all other Landing Places in said Town. And also to see if the Town will Grant Liberty of a Cart-way from the south East Corner of the Town Wharf to and from the Flats and pass a Vote that y<sup>e</sup> said way be kept free and Clear of all Encumbrances whatsoever And Further to see if the Town will sell the House in which [122] miss Littlefield now dwells and raise Money to build another more Commodious for the Reception of the Poor: and to agree upon any other Matter tending to promote the Benefit of s<sup>d</sup>. Town.

Hereof fail not on your Peril: and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings therein unto myself on or before y<sup>e</sup> Said Time of Meeting Dated at Manchester Feby 16<sup>th</sup> 1770

N. B. A Return of  
y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was  
made at y<sup>e</sup> Time Pre-  
fixed in s<sup>d</sup>. Warrant  
Pr. Obed Carter Con-  
s<sup>tbl</sup>.

By order of y<sup>e</sup> Select-Men  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball Town Clerk

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warned and assembled on Monday the Fifth Day of March Anno Domini 1770. In order to Choose Town Officers







to serve said Town the Year Ensuing. 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting. 2ly. Jacob Tewx<sup>s</sup>bury and Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Craft were Chosen Wardens. 3ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee and Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Kimball were Chosen Select Men 4ly. Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Kimball was Chosen Town Clerk.

5ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Chosen Town Treasurer.

6ly. Samuel Forster<sup>s</sup> Chosen Constable.

7ly. Voted to Choose y<sup>e</sup> Rest of the Officers to be Chosen at this Meeting by a hand Vote. 8ly. Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Thomas Poland<sup>s</sup> Ezekiel Cheever<sup>s</sup> & Nehemiah<sup>s</sup> Lee were Chosen Hog Reeves. 9ly. Voted that the Hogs go at Large Being Yok'd and Ring'd as the Law directs. 10ly. Jonathan Brown<sup>s</sup> William Badcock<sup>s</sup> Joseph Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> and Stephen Danford<sup>s</sup> were Chosen Haywards. 11ly. John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Stephen Allen<sup>s</sup> and Solomon Lee<sup>s</sup> were Chosen Fence Viewers for the Year Ensuing. 12ly. Eleazer Craft<sup>s</sup> & Moses Dodge<sup>s</sup> were Chosen Tything-Men. 13ly. Chosen for a sealer of weights & Measures Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup>. 14ly. Jeremiah Dow John Easkoot<sup>s</sup> and Daniel Edwards<sup>s</sup> were Chosen Corders and Sealers of wood. 15ly. Chosen for sealer of Leather Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup>. 16ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Daniel Edwards<sup>s</sup> Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> John Tewx<sup>s</sup>bury Andrew Marsters<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Fors<sup>s</sup>ter & Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen<sup>s</sup> Sen<sup>r</sup>. 17ly. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> & Benjamin Ober<sup>s</sup>. 18ly. Chosen for Cullers of staves Hoops & Shingles & Packers of Mackrell John Tewx<sup>s</sup>bury & Obed Carter<sup>s</sup>. 19ly. Chosen for Measurers and Markers of Bords and Timber Thomas Lee<sup>s</sup> John Edwards<sup>s</sup> Sen<sup>r</sup>. & John Cheever<sup>s</sup>. 20ly. Chosen for a Pound Keeper Obed Carter<sup>s</sup>. 21ly. Chosen for Surveyors of High-Ways John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper<sup>s</sup> Andrew Woodberry<sup>s</sup> Jonathan Herrick sen<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Stephen Allen<sup>s</sup>. 22ly. Chosen for Meters or Measurers of Grain John Tewx<sup>s</sup>bury & Obed Carter<sup>s</sup>. 23ly. Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen : be As-

sessors to Assess the Town the Year Ensuing. 24ly. Voted that the Assessors this Day Chosen shall Assess the Town in making highway Tax by the last Years Inventory: & that they set Each Poll at 3p & raise five Pense on y<sup>e</sup> Pound. 25ly. Voted that Every Man shall have Liberty to Work out his Tax at the Request of y<sup>e</sup> Surveyor and that Every Yoke of Oxen be set by y<sup>e</sup> surveyor at Three shillings pr. Day. 26ly. Voted that Every Person under the Care of their Respective surveyors are obliged to do Each his proportionable Part of Clearing the highway of snow: when Called upon: and that Every Person refusing to appear on Call be subject to pay a Fine of 5p Recoverable by y<sup>e</sup> surveyor of y<sup>e</sup> ward. 27ly. Voted y<sup>t</sup> the surveyors of highways Collect the high way Taxes. 28ly. Voted that Each surveyor of high ways Render an Acct. of their surveyorship to the select Men of the Town at the Close of the year & that Each surveyor work out his Tax by y<sup>e</sup> last of Sep<sup>r</sup> next.

[123] 29ly. Voted Fifty Pounds for y<sup>e</sup> Revnd. M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year. 30ly. Voted M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan Thirty Eight Pounds as a Gift the Ensuing Year. 31<sup>ly</sup>. Voted Forty Five Pound for y<sup>e</sup> use of a Grammar School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year. 32ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select-men Lay out the Money Rais'd for the use of y<sup>e</sup> school. 33ly. Voted that Kettle Cove have their Proportion of y<sup>e</sup> Money raised for the support of y<sup>e</sup> Grammar school the Ensuing Year. 34ly. Voted Eighty-Five Pounds to defray Town Charges y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year. 35ly. Voted that John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Edwards Stephen Allen John Tewxbury and Samuel Forster be a Committee to lay out a high way thro' the Great Neck so called down by M<sup>r</sup>. Procters dwelling House to the Landing Place below s<sup>d</sup> House one rod & an half wide and also to find: stake out: & settle the Bounds of said Landing. 36ly. Voted that the aforesaid Committee: be a Committee to Clear & so keep: the several Landing Places of Encumbrances y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year. 37ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> high way thro' y<sup>e</sup> Neck to the Landing Place be laid out by the aforesaid Committee one rod and an half in Wedth. 38ly. was Chosen for a Committee to seat the Meeting, Jonathan Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury: Deacon John Allen: Stephen Allen: Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball Nehemiah Storer: Doctor Joseph Whipple; Benjamin Ober: and Eleazer Craft. 39ly. was Chosen & impowered M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Edwards to inform against & prosecute Every Person not taking and keeping their Respective seats and also that Each & Every Person offend-





ing pay to ye said Daniel Edwards the sum of six shillings out of which the Charge of y<sup>e</sup> suit is to be first Taken : & y<sup>e</sup> overplus for y<sup>e</sup> Benefit of y<sup>e</sup> Poor of said Town. 40ly. The select men this Day Chosen were Voted a Committee to agree in the Best & Cheapest manner they Can with some Person to Paint the Meeting-House and also a Committee to advise with & employ some lawyer (if need be) to free the Town from Charge [124] y<sup>t</sup> has or may arise by Thomas Toppen. Essex s.s.

To M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Forster Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to Notifie and warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within This Province or Territory of Forty shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum at the Least or Other Estate to the Value of Forty Pounds sterling : To assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the Twenty first Day of May Inst. at seven o'Clock in the Morning. of said Day : Then and There to Elect & depute one or more Persons Being Freeholders : and resident in the same Town to serve for & represent us in a great & General Court or Assembly appointed to be Conven'd held & kept for his Majesties service at Harvard College in Cambridge upon wednesday the Thirtieth Day of May Inst. Hereof fail not & make return of This warrant and your Doing Therein unto myself at or Before the said Time of Meeting.

Manchester May 15<sup>th</sup> 1770

Pr. Order of the Select-Men

A Return of the above warrant was made } Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball T. Clerk  
at ye Time prefixed in s<sup>d</sup> warrant

By — Sam<sup>l</sup>. Forster Constable

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the Twenty first Day of May Anno Domini 1770 in Order to Choose one or more Persons To serve for and represent us at a great & general Court the Ensuing Year. 1ly. Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator of said Meeting. 2ly was put to Vote whether the Town would send any Person to represent Them at y<sup>e</sup> said Court & Voted in the Negative not to send any.

[125] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the second Day of July Anno Domini 1770 : in order to Choose Two Jury men to serve at y<sup>e</sup> next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> Second Tues-

day of July Inst. was draughted to serve at y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Court William Badcock & Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the Fifteenth Day of October Anno Domini 1770 in order to Choose Two Jury men one to serve on the Grand Jury: and one on y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Trials, at y<sup>e</sup> next superior Court to be holden at Salem on the first Tuesday of November next. 1ly. Chosen for a Grand Juror John Tewxbury. 2ly. for a Petit Juror Benja. Ober. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the Tenth Day of December Anno Domini 1770. To Choose Jurymen for Salem Court. 1ly. was Chosen to serve as a Grand Juriman for the year Ensuing: Obed Carter. 2ly. Chosen to serve as Petit Juror at y<sup>e</sup> said Court: William Tuck, and Joseph Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Essex s.s.

To M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Forster Constable of the Town of Manchester Greeting — You are hereby required in his Majesties Name forthwith to notifie and warn: All the Freeholders: & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province: or Territories of Forty Shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Fifty Pounds Sterling to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the Eleventh Day of March next at Eight o'Clock in y<sup>e</sup> Morning of said Day: Then and there, to Choose a Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting: and to make Choice of Wardens: Select Men: Town Clerk: Town Treasurer: Constable: and all other Town Officers agreeable to y<sup>e</sup> Direction of y<sup>e</sup> Law. To agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money [126] as shall or may be deem'd necessary for releiving the Poor & defraying all other Charges necessarily arising within said Town. To Receive the Select Mens Report of a way laid out from M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Allens Barn to Baberry Marsh Bridge so Called: in (1768 and also to receive the Select Mens Report of the way laid out through a Part of M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Procter's Farm down to the Towns Landing Place below said Procters House. Also to see if the Town: will raise Money to build or purchase an House to accommodate the Poor of said Town and dispose of that House, in which Miss Littlefield now dwells. Further to see if the Town will sell about one Quarter of an acre of the Ministry Land to Doctor Joseph Whipple for an House Lot. Also whether the Town will grant M<sup>r</sup>. Aaron Lee a spot on y<sup>e</sup> Town Landing to Erect a Ware-House for a Number of Years. He making a proper







Consideration for the same annually. Likewise to see whether the Town will grant Liberty to a Number of It's Inhabitants who live remote from Meeting to Erect Stables on the Town Landing for the accommodation of their Horses during divine service. And lastly to Choose a Committee to widen some Town High ways that are Encroached upon: if the Town think it necessary. Hereof fail not & make Return of this warrant & your Doings thereon unto myself at or before the said Time of Meeting. given under my Hand & Seal at Manchester the 23<sup>d</sup>. Day of Febry. Anno Domini 1771.

Pr<sup>r</sup>. Order of Select Men

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| N. B. A return of y <sup>e</sup> above said warrant | } | Benj <sup>a</sup> . Kimball |
| was made at said Meeting: by Sam <sup>l</sup>       |   | Town Clerk                  |
| Forster Constable of said Manchester                |   |                             |

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned: & Conven'd on Monday the Eleventh Day of March Anno Domini 1771: in Order to Choose Town Officers: to serve said Town: the Ensuing Year: & also to transact other Town Business: agreeable to what is inserted in the preceeding Warrant. 1<sup>ly</sup>. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting. 2<sup>ly</sup>. It was Voted to allow the Committees accmpt against the Town: for their Time Trouble & Expence in laying out an high way thro a part of M<sup>r</sup>. Procters Farm to y<sup>e</sup> Towns Landing Place below said Procters House: and also for fixing & securing y<sup>e</sup> Bounds of said Landing. 3<sup>ly</sup>. Were Chosen for Wardens the Ensuing year Nehemiah Story sen<sup>r</sup>. & John Bailey. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Benjamin Kimball was Chosen Town Clerk. 5<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Select-Men Benjamin Kimball: Aaron Lee and Andrew Marsters. 6<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Town-Treasurer Ensign Andrew Woodberry. 7<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen Constable John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. 8<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to transact the Remainder of the Business to be done at this Meeting by a hand Vote. 9<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Hog-Reeves John Easkoot: John Baker: Israel May: Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. & Jacob Hooper 10<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Swine go at Large the Ensuing Year being Yok'd and Ring'd as the Law directs. 11<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Haywards Andrew Marsters Stephen Danford Joseph Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>. & Joseph Killam. 12<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyors of Fences John Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. Stephen Allen Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. and Samuel Foster 13<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen Shall be Assessors to Assess

the Town the Year Ensuing. 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Tything Men Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow & Ebenezer<sup>s</sup> Lee. 15<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of weights and Measures Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee. 16<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Sealers & Corders of wood John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury : Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow : & John<sup>s</sup> Easkoot. [127] 17<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Sealer of Leather Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. : Daniel<sup>s</sup> Edwards Andrew<sup>s</sup> Marsters Samuel<sup>s</sup> Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Forster : Andrew<sup>s</sup> Woodberry John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury : and Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee. 19<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper & Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ober. 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyors of Hoops : Staves : Shingles : & Cullers of the same : and Packers of Mackrell John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury & Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter. 21<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Measurer & Markers of Bords & Timber Thomas<sup>s</sup> Lee : John<sup>s</sup> Cheever : John<sup>s</sup> Edwards sen<sup>r</sup>. & Nathan<sup>s</sup> Lee. 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for a Pound Keeper Solomon<sup>s</sup> Lee. 23<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyors of high ways John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Andrew<sup>s</sup> Woodberry Stephen<sup>s</sup> Allen : Ezekiel<sup>s</sup> Knowlton & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown. 24<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Metres or Measurers of Grain John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury & Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter. 25<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the assessors this Day Chosen Shall assess the Town by the last years Inventory, and in the following Manner : to level a high way Tax for y<sup>e</sup> year 1771 : Viz to set Each Poll a 4/6 & raise /4 upon the pound on the Estates : & to tax all New Comers into Town and all y<sup>e</sup> arrive at sixteen years of Age for their Heads & Estates. 26<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Every Man Shall have Liberty to work out his Tax at y<sup>e</sup> Request of the Surveyor : & that Every Person be allowed 3/ pr Day for his Labour and 3/ pr Day for a Yoke of Oxen. 27<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Every Person under the Care of his Respective Surveyor be : And hereby are obliged to do Each his proportionable share of Clearing the high way of Snow : on Penalty of Forfeiting the Sum of Five Shillings for Each Neglect : to be recovered by the Surveyor of the ward. 28<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Each surveyor at the Close of the Year Render to the Select Men an account of their surveyorship : and likewise that Each Surveyor work out his Proportion of Money assign'd him by the last of September next. 29<sup>ly</sup>. was Voted for the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans [128] Salary the Ensuing Year £50 : 0 : 0. 30<sup>ly</sup>. Voted for the Reverend





Mr. Toppan as a Gift the Ensuing Year £38 : 0 : 0. 31ly. Voted to raise £45 : 0 : 0 for the Maintenance & Support of a Grammar School the Ensuing Year. 32ly. Voted that the Select-men this Day Chosen be a Committee to lay out the aforesaid £45 : 0 : 0 for the use of a Grammar School. 33ly. was Voted £85 : 0 : 0 to Defray the Charges of the Town for the Year Ensuing. 34ly. Voted that the Poor be maintained by y<sup>e</sup> Select-Men as in years Past: Voted to receive Establish & Confirm the Report of John Allen Andrew Woodberry : & John Tewxbury in their Proceedings in laying out a way from Mr. Jacob Allens Barn one Pole & an half wide to the Bridge Called Babbery Marsh Bridge in the Year 1768. 36ly. Voted that the Report made at this Meeting by John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Stephen Allen Daniel Edwards John Tewxbury & Samuel Forster a Committee impowered by the Select-Men of Manchester to lay out a way thro a Part of Isaac Procters Farm : to the Town Landing Place below said Procters House : and also that the Report of the afors<sup>d</sup>. Committee who were Constituted & impowered by the Town of Manchester at their Annual Meeting in March 1770 to find stake out & Settle the Bounds of the aforesaid Landing be allowed Established and Confirmed. 37ly. was Voted to give Liberty to Mr. Aaron Lee to Erect a Ware House on y<sup>e</sup> Town Landing by the Meeting House for a number of years : provided he the Said Aaron & the Committee hereafter mentioned Can agree : as to Term : & Consideration. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. & Richard Day Entered their Dissent against the Thirty seventh Vote. 38ly. was Chosen as a Committee in Behalf of said Town : Andrew Woodberry Jonathan Herrick & Daniel Edwards to agree with Aaron Lee where the aforesaid warehouse shall stand : and what Annual Acknowledgments He shall pay the Town for improving y<sup>e</sup> said Spot. 39ly. Voted that Deacon Jonathan Herrick was not deserving of what was this Day alledged against him in a libellous abusive Letter Communicated to the Town. After which the said Meeting adjourned to y<sup>e</sup> Meeting House Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>. Day of March Inst<sup>r</sup>. one o'Clock P : M : and then met : where & when was 1ly. Voted that a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town : may if they think proper : Erect Stables for their Horses between the Meeting House & Pound : against which Vote Capt. Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Lee hath Entered his Dissent in writing & also John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry & Aaron Lee have Entered their Dissent against the said Vote 2ly. The Thanks of the Town were Voted to Dea-

con Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick for his good Services in Time Past: as a Select-Man & as Town Treasurer. 3ly. Voted that John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. draw in Labour: the Sum of Twenty Shillings Lawfull Money from Each Surveyor: of y<sup>e</sup> high ways to be by him laid out: in Erecting a wall to prevent future Damage to the Town Landing by the Tide. 4ly. Chosen for a Committee to seat the Meeting-House John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Tewxbury Deacon John Allen Nehemiah Story: Benjamin Ober: Benj<sup>a</sup>. Craft Doctor Joseph Whipple Eleazer Craft & Benjamin Kimball. 5ly. Voted that Daniel Edwards be: and hereby is appointed & impowered by Said Town: to sue for & recover a Fine of 5/ from anyone Behaving disorderly or refusing to take his seat.

[129] Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards Constable of the Town of Manchester — Greeting — In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to notifie and warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester: that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province: or Territory of Forty Shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum, at the Least: or other Estate: to the Value of Forty Pounds Sterling: to Assemble at the Meeting-House: in said Manchester on Wednesday the Twenty Second Day of May Instant: at Seven o'Clock in the Morning of s<sup>d</sup>. Day: Then & There to Elect: and depute one or more Person: or Persons: being Freeholders: and Resident in the same Town to serve for & represent us: in a great and general Court: or assembly: appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majesties Service at Harvard College in Cambridge upon Wednesday the Twenty Ninth Day of this Instant May. Hereof fail not and Make Return of this Your Warrant: and your Doings therein unto myself: at or before the said Time of Meeting.

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| A Return of the above warrant<br>was made at the Time prefixed<br>therein by John Edwards Con-<br>table. of Manch <sup>r</sup> . | } | Pr. Order of the Select-Men<br>Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk |
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Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Wednesday the Twenty second Day of May Anno Domini 1771: in Order to Choose one or more Persons to serve for & represent us at a great & general Court to be Convened & held for his Majesties Service at Harvard College in Cambridge y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year was firstly Voted whether said Town would send any Person to Represent Them at the above Mentioned







Court: and it was at said meeting Voted not to send any Person or Persons to represent y<sup>e</sup> Said Town of Manchester at the aforesaid Court in the Year 1771.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the First Day of July: Anno Domini 1771: in Order to Choose Two Jury-men to serve at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem on the second Tuesday of July Instant, was draughted to serve at the aforesaid Court: Moses Dodge: and John Easkoot.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester legally warned and Convened on Monday the Twenty-Eighth Day of October Anno Domini 1771. In order to Choose Two Jury-Men for the Superiour Court to be holden at Salem in the County of Essex on the first Tuesday of November next. 1ly. Chosen for a Grand Juror Andrew Marsters. 2ly. Chosen to serve as a Petit Juror Joseph Knight sen<sup>r</sup>.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester legally warned and Convened on Monday the ninth Day of December Anno Domini 1771: to Choose Jury men for Salem Court. Firstly was Chosen to serve as Grand Jury man for the Year Ensuing Benjamin Craft. Secondly Chosen to serve as Petit Jurors at the said Court Nathan Lee: & Samuel Driver.

Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable of the Town of Manchester — Greeting — You are hereby required in his Majesties Name forthwith to notifie and warn: all the Freeholders: and other Inhabitants: of the Town of Manchester: that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province: or Territories: of Forty shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Fifty Pounds Sterling to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the ninth Day of March next at [130] Eight of the Clock in the Morning of said Day: Then and There to Choose a Moderator: for said Meeting: and to Make Choice of Wardens: Select-Men: Town Clerk: Town Treasurer: Constable: and all other Town Officers; agreeable to the Direction of the Law. And to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money: as Shall or may be thought necessary for the Relief of the Poor: and defraying all other necessary Charges arising within said Town. To see what Method the Town shall think most Expedient to defray the Charge that has unexpectedly arisen on the high-ways: in M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Hoopers Ward: in the Course of the past Year. To see

whether the Town will Ring the Bell at nine in the Evening for one Year Ensuing: if a person suitable to Ring: can be procured. Whether the Town are disposed to build a wind Mill in Order to prevent: the Exportation of Corn so detrimental to the Town. Likewise whether the Town will not Conclude upon Measures different from those heretofore taken respecting the Poor: who are Continually increasing among us. To see if the Town will determine upon something respecting the Burying Yard: on Consideration that Those: who are Called to follow their Deceased Friends to the Grave may be delivered from those Briers which have: and yet do Encumber such Followers. And Lastly to make Choice of a Committee to seat the Meeting-House. Hereof fail not: and make Return of this Warrant: and your Doings thereon at your Peril: unto myself at on or before the said Time of Meeting: given under my hand and seal at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> Eighteenth Day of February Anno Domini 1772

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| A return of the foregoing          | By order of the Select Men  |
| war <sup>t</sup> . was made at the | Benjamin Kimball Town Clerk |
| Time of said meeting by            |                             |
| Jno. Edwards Constable             |                             |

[131] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned: and Assembled at the Meeting-House in said Manch<sup>r</sup>. on Monday the ninth Day of March Anno Domini 1772: in Order to Choose Town Officers: to serve said Town the Ensuing Year: and further to transact what other Business is inserted in the above or foregoing warrant. 1ly. was Chosen for a Moderator: Deacon Jonathan Herrick. 2ly. Voted not to accept or allow any abatements made by the Select-Men to Constables Aaron Lee: Obed Carter: and Samuel Forster on account of Vessels taxed which are owned out of Town 3ly. Voted that a Demand be made on M<sup>r</sup>. John Morse of Beverly to satisfy and pay the Town of Manchester what Cost and Charges said Town has been at: in Times past on acct. of his Daughter Jane Morse and her Children. 4ly. Chosen for Wardens the Ensuing Year Joseph Day and Joseph Killam 5ly. Chosen for a Town Clerk the Ensuing Year Benjamin Kimball. 6ly Chosen for Select-Men Jonathan Herrick Andrew Marsters & Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball 7ly. Chosen for Town Treasurer the Ensuing Year Samuel Forster. 8ly. Chosen for a Constable the Ensuing Year Nehemiah





<sup>s</sup>Story sen<sup>r</sup>. 9ly. Voted that the Remainder of the Business to be done at this Meeting be transacted by a hand Vote. 10ly. Voted that the Select-men this Day Chosen be a Committee to advise with an attorney: Respecting the Taxation of out Town Vessels: and also to take advice on the account of Jane Morse: and to prosecute the same if need be 11ly. was Chosen for Hog-Reves the Ensuing Year Nathaniel <sup>s</sup>Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. Aaron <sup>s</sup>Bray John <sup>s</sup>Bailey Joseph <sup>s</sup>Knight sen<sup>r</sup>. Richard <sup>s</sup>Day: & Benjamin <sup>s</sup>Craft 12ly Voted that swine go at Large the Ensuing [132] Year being Yoked and Ring'd agreeable to the Directions of the Law. 13ly. Chosen for haywards the Ensuing Year William <sup>s</sup>Badcock sen<sup>r</sup>. Jon<sup>a</sup>. <sup>s</sup>Herrick sen<sup>r</sup>: Stephen <sup>s</sup>Danford: Jon<sup>a</sup>. <sup>s</sup>Brown & Jacob <sup>s</sup>Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. 14ly. Chosen for surveyors of Fences the Ensuing Year John <sup>s</sup>Edwards Sen<sup>r</sup>. Stephen <sup>s</sup>Allen: Jonathan <sup>s</sup>Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>.: and Samuel <sup>s</sup>Forster 15ly. Chosen for Tything Men Nehemiah <sup>s</sup>Lee: and Benjamin <sup>s</sup>Ober 16ly. Chosen for Sealer of Weights: and Measures Lieut. Thomas <sup>s</sup>Lee. 17ly Chosen for Sealers & Cordors of Wood the Ensuing Year Jeremiah <sup>s</sup>Dow John <sup>s</sup>Tewxbury Jacob <sup>s</sup>Hooper and Eleazer <sup>s</sup>Craft. 18ly. Chosen for Sealer of Leather Elisha <sup>s</sup>Allen. 19ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John <sup>s</sup>Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>: Daniel <sup>s</sup>Edwards: Aaron <sup>s</sup>Lee Andrew <sup>s</sup>Mars-ters: John <sup>s</sup>Tewxbury: Andrew <sup>s</sup>Woodberry · Samuel <sup>s</sup>Forster: John <sup>s</sup>Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>: and Benjamin <sup>s</sup>Kimball. 20ly Chosen for Inspector of Deer: Jacob <sup>s</sup>Hooper & Benjamin <sup>s</sup>Ober. 21ly. Chosen for Surveyors and Cullers of Hoops: Staves: Shingles: Clapboards: and Packers of Mackrell: John <sup>s</sup>Tewxbury: & Obed <sup>s</sup>Carter. 22ly. Chosen for Measurers and Markers of Bords: and Timber: John <sup>s</sup>Cheever Nathan <sup>s</sup>Lee: Joseph <sup>s</sup>Killam: and Jacob <sup>s</sup>Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup>. 23ly Chosen for a Pound Keeper the Ensuing Year. Solomon <sup>s</sup>Lee. 24ly Chosen for Surveyors of High-Ways Ezekiel <sup>s</sup>Knowlton: Jonathan <sup>s</sup>Brown: Jacob <sup>s</sup>Hooper: Andrew <sup>s</sup>Woodberry: Samuel <sup>s</sup>Forster and Stephen <sup>s</sup>Allen. 25ly. Chosen for Metres & Measurers of Grain: John <sup>s</sup>Tewxbury & Obed <sup>s</sup>Carter. 24ly. Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen shall assess y<sup>e</sup> Town y<sup>e</sup> Year Ensuing. 25ly. Voted that the Assessors this Day Chosen shall assess the Town by the

Last Years Inventory in Levelling the high way Tax for the Year 1772 : and in the following Manner Viz to set Each Poll a Three Shillings & nine Pence and raise four Pence upon y<sup>e</sup> Estates on y<sup>e</sup> Pound. 26ly. Voted that Each Surveyor be Collector of Taxes in his own Ward : & that only. 27ly Voted that the Twenty sixth : Twenty-Seventh : & Twenty Eighth Votes : which were passed at the Towns Annual Meeting : in March 1771 : Respecting the high ways : and Every Clause and Article in said Votes Contained remain & abide in full Force and Virtue for the Year 1772. 28ly Voted for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary the Ensuing Year £50. 0. 0. 29ly Voted for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan as a Gift the Ensuing Year £40. 0. 0 30ly. Voted to defray the Charge of a Grammar School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year £45. 0. 0 31ly Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen be a Committee to dispose of the Money raised for a Grammar School the Ensuing Year. 32ly Voted that the Inhabitants of Kettle-Cove have the School kept at s<sup>d</sup>. Cove such a Part of the Ensuing Year as their Tax Entitles Them to. 33ly Voted to Defray Town Charges the Ensuing year £120. 0. 0. 34ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Tewxbury have the use and Improvement of the Burying-Yard free and Clear of Rent untill he shall accomplish the Destruction of Briars growing in said Yard ; provided from this Time he makes use of his best Endeavours for so doing. 35ly Voted for a Committee to seat the Meeting-House John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick : Daniel Edwards : Andrew Marsters : John Tewxbury : Doctor Joseph Whipple : Aaron Lee Sam<sup>l</sup>. Forster Benjamin Kimball : Jacob Hooper : Eleazer Craft : Jonathan Brown Deacon John Allen Andrew Woodberry Benjamin Ober & John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. 36ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Edwards together with the Major Part or any Three of the aforesaid Committee : be and hereby are impowered by said Town to prosecute Every Person refusing to take his Seat ; or intruding into y<sup>e</sup> Seat of others. and also that Every Person : behaving disorderly be and hereby are subjected to a Fine of Five Shillings Lawfull Money. 37ly. Voted that the Assessors this [133] Day Chosen allow and assign unto John Edwards Jun<sup>r</sup>. the sum of £6 : 0 : 0 out of the Money raised for the high-ways in order to repair the Bank below the Town Landing. When said Meeting was adjourned to the house of Deacon John allens to March y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Instant two of the o'Clock afternoon when and where was 1ly Chosen for a hog Reve y<sup>e</sup> Year Ensuing Andrew Marsters 2ly. Chosen for Measurer and Marker of Bords and Tim-







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ber John Tewxbury. Then adjourned to the house of Deacon John allens on the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of March Instant: and then met when and where was Voted 1ly. That the Two hind Seats in the Meeting-house in the Body of seats below: be Converted into a seat for singers at y<sup>e</sup> Expense of y<sup>e</sup> Town. 2ly. Chosen for a Committee to see that said Singing Seat be finished and Compleated Eleazer Craft: Jonathan Brown & Benj<sup>a</sup> Kimball. Essex s.s.

To M<sup>r</sup>. Nehemiah Story Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name You are hereby required forthwith to notifie and warn all the Freeholders: and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty Shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Forty Pounds Sterling to assemble at the Meeting House in said Manch<sup>r</sup>. on Monday the Twenty-Fifth Day of May Inst. at six o'Clock in the Morning. Then and there to Elect and depute one or more person or persons being Freeholders and resident in the same Town to represent us at a great and General Court: to be holden at Harvard College in Cambridge upon Wednesday The Twenty seventh Inst. And further to see whether the Town will grant M<sup>r</sup>. George Norton a Spot on the Town Landing to Erect an house for a Certain Number [134] of Years he making an Annual Consideration for the same: Fail not & make return of this warrant unto myself at or before s<sup>d</sup>. Time of meeting.

By order of Select-men

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| A Return of the above said warrant   | } | Benj <sup>a</sup> Kimball T: Clerk |
| was made at said meeting by Nehemiah |   | Manchester 14 <sup>th</sup> May    |
| Story Constable of Manchester        |   | 1772                               |

Att a Town meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the Twenty Fifth Day of May Anno Domini, one Thousand Seven hundred and seventy Two: to Choose one or more Persons to represent us at a great and General Court to be Convened and held for his Majesties service: at Harvard College in Cambridge the Ensuing Year. When and where it was Voted in the Negative not to send any Person to represent said Town at the aforesaid Court. Then was Chosen firstly Jonathan Herrick sen<sup>r</sup>. Moderator for the remaining Business to be done at said Meeting. Secondly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. George Norton have Liberty to set an house or shed on the Town Landing between Aaron Lees Ware-

House & the Mill Bridge for the space of Ten Years provided he Erect the same within Two Years from this Date and allow the Rent annually that Shall be prefixed by the Committee to set off said Spot to said Norton. Thirdly Chosen a Committee to agree with M<sup>r</sup>. Norton & let him y<sup>e</sup> said spot Jacob Hooper: Andrew Mars- ters and Jonathan Brown.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the sixth Day of July Anno Domini 1772: In Order to Choose Two Jury-men to serve at the next inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Salem: on the second Tuesday of July Instant was Draughted to serve at the Court aforesaid M<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft: & M<sup>r</sup>. Ezekiel Cheever. Aft a Town-Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the Twelfth Day of October: Anno Domini 1772. In Order to Choose Two Jury-Men: for the Superior Court: to be holden at Salem: in the County of Essex: on the First Tuesday of November next. Firstly was Chosen Aaron Lee to serve on the Grand Jury secondly was Chosen Isaac Procter to serve on the Petit Jury. Att a Town-Meeting in Manchester legally warned & Convened on Monday the Twenty First Day of December Anno Domini 1772 to Choose Jury men for Salem Court. Firstly was Chosen to serve as a Grand-Jury man for the year Ensuing Nehemiah Lee. Secondly Chosen to serve as petit Jurors at the Court aforesaid Andrew Lee & Nathaniel Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Essex. s.s: To M<sup>r</sup>. Nehemiah Story Constable of the Town of Manchester Greeting In his Majesties Name you are hereby required: forthwith to Notifie and warn all the Freeholders: & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land: within this province: or Territorys of Forty Shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Fifty pounds Sterling: to assemble at the Meeting-House in said Manchester on Monday the Fifteenth Day of March next Ensuing the Date hereof: at Eight of the Clock in the Morning of said Day. Then and there to Choose a Moderator for said Meeting: and to make Choice of Wardens: Select-Men: Town Clerk: Town Treasurer: Constable: and all other Town Officers as the Law directs. And to agree upon Granting such Sum or Sums of Money as Shall or may be supposed needfull for the Relief of the poor and defraying [135] all other Charges necessarily arising within said Town. And further once more to see whether the Town will Consult





some Measures whereby the maintenance of the Poor may become Less Expensive than formerly. Lastly to make Choice of a Grand Juryman having a Real Estate of Forty-Shillings per Annum: or a personal Estate worth Fifty pounds to serve at the Court of general Sessions of the Peace, to be holden at Ipswich for: and in said County of Essex on the last Tuesday of March next: and at the Several Courts of general Sessions of the peace successively to be holden in and for said County for one year next Ensuing the Date hereof. Hereof Fail not and make Return of this warrant and your Doings thereon unto myself: on or before the Said Time of Meeting: given under my hand: and Seal: at Manchester: this Twenty seventh Day Febr<sup>y</sup>. Anno Domini 1773.

A Return of the above warrant } By Order of the Select-Men  
was made at the Time above } Benjamin Kimball Town-Clerk  
prefixed: by M<sup>r</sup>. Nehemiah }  
Story Constable of Manchester.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warn'd and assembled at the Meeting-house in said Manchester on Monday the Fifteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1773: In Order to Choose Town officers to serve said Town y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year: and to transact all other Business mentioned in the foregoing warrant.

1ly. was Chosen Moderator for Said Meeting John Tewxbury.  
2ly. Chosen for wardens the Ensuing Year Nathaniel<sup>s</sup> Lee sen<sup>r</sup>. & Ebenezer<sup>s</sup> Lee. 3ly. Chosen for a Town Clerk the Ensuing year Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Kimball. 4ly. Chosen for Select-Men Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball: Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee and Jacob<sup>s</sup> [136] Hooper 5ly. Chosen for a Town Treasurer John Tewxbury. 6ly. Chosen for Constable: Andrew Marsters and paid a Fine of Five pounds 7ly. Chosen for Constable: Isaac Procter sen<sup>r</sup>. & paid a Fine of Five pounds 8ly. Chosen for Constable: Eleazar Craft and paid a Fine of Five Pounds 9ly. Chosen for Constable the Ensuing Year Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown. 10ly. Voted that the Remaining Business of this Meeting be done by a hand Vote. 11ly. Chosen for Hog-Reves Samuel<sup>s</sup> Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>. Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewxsbury William<sup>s</sup> Brown Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Andrew<sup>s</sup> Hooper & Samuel<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 12ly. Voted y<sup>t</sup> Swine go at Large being Yoked & Ring'd according to Law. 13ly Chosen for Haywards<sup>s</sup> Joseph<sup>s</sup> Killam Andrew<sup>s</sup> Allen Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup>. and Benjamin<sup>s</sup>

Ober. 14ly. Chosen for Surveyor of Fences the Ensuing year Benjamin Ober: John Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. and Jonathan Herrick Sen<sup>r</sup>. 15ly. Chosen for Tything Men Nathan Lee and Joseph Killam 16ly. Chosen for sealer of weights & Measures Lieut. Thomas Lee 17ly. Chosen for Cordors of wood the Ensuing year John Tewxsbury Jeremiah Dow sen<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. & Eleazer Craft. 18ly. Chosen for Sealer of Leather Elisha Allen. 19ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Marsters Aaron Lee Sam<sup>l</sup>. Forster John Edwards John Tewxsbury & Andrew Woodberry. 20ly. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Benjamin Ober & Jacob Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. 21ly. Chosen for surveyor of Hoops: Shingles: Staves: and packers of Mackrell John Tewxsbury and Obed Carter. 22ly. Chosen for Measurers & Markers of Bords & Timber John Cheever Nathan Lee Joseph Killam: and Jacob Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup>. 23ly. Chosen for a pound Keeper the Ensuing year Solomon Lee 24ly Chosen for Surveyors of high ways Andrew Woodberry Jonathan Brown Ezekiel Knowlton Samuel Forster Joseph Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>. and Stephen Allen. 25ly. Chosen for Measurers or Metres of Grain Jno. Tewxsbury & Obed Carter 26ly. Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen: be Assessors: to assess y<sup>e</sup>. Town the Year Ensuing. 27ly. Voted that the Assessors this Day Chosen Assess the Inhabitants Three Shillings upon the Poll: and Four pence upon the pound on Estates for Repair of highways said Assessment to be made by the Last Years Inventory. 28ly. Voted that Each: and Every Surveyor of the high ways be Collector of his Tax: in his own Ward. 29ly. Voted for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary y<sup>e</sup>. Ensuing Year Fifty Pounds. 30ly. Voted as a Gift for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing Year Forty Pounds including Ten Cord of wood. 31ly. Voted to raise for the use of a Grammar School y<sup>e</sup> Ensuing year: Forty Five pound. 32ly. Voted that the Select-Men this Day Chosen be a Committee to lay out the Money Voted for the use of a Grammar School. 33ly. Voted to defray Town Charges The Ensuing year Eighty pounds. 34ly. Voted for a Grand Jury man the Ensuing Year Nehemiah Lee. 35ly. Voted that the Treasurer of the







Town Receive into his Custody Mr. Toppan's Bonds: & Notes: & see that the Monies Mentioned Therein be Constantly kept out at use for the Benefit of the Said Mr. Toppan: 36ly. Voted that the Select Men be a Committee to make a Demand on John and Robert Perry: for their Father perry's Support. 37ly. Voted to give Joseph Killam Forty Shillings Lawfull Money to Ring the Bell Every night: at nine o'Clock the Ensuing Year. 38ly. Voted that all those persons Concerned in drying Fish to out Town Vessels: pay their Respective Taxes on said Vessels in said Town of Manchr. for the past Year: and further that the said [137] Vessels be hence forward Excused from paying Taxes in said Town of Manchester. Essex s.s. To Mr. Jonathan Brown Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to notifie and warn all y<sup>e</sup> Freeholders: & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Free hold in Land within this province or Territory of Forty shillings pr. annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Forty pounds Sterling to assemble at the Meeting-House in said Manchester on Thursday the Twentieth Day of May Inst. at six o'Clock in the Morning Then & There to Elect and depute: one or more person or persons being Freeholders: and Resident in the same Town: to serve for: and Represent us: at a great: & general Court or Assembly: appointed to be Convened: held and kept for his Majesties Service: at the Town House in Boston upon Wednesday The Twenty sixth Day of this Inst. May—Hereof Fail not & make Return of this warrant at or before the said Time of Meeting. Given under my hand and Seal at Manchester y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>. Day of May in the Thirteenth year of his Majesties Reign Domini 1773.

A Return of y<sup>e</sup> above warrant was made at said meeting pr Jonathan Brown Constable of Manchester

By order of Select-Men  
Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball Town Clerk

Att a Town-Meeting in Manchester: Legally warned and the Inhabitants being Assembled on the Twentieth Day of May Anno Domini 1773: in order to make Choice of a Representative for said Town at a great and general Court or assembly to be holden at Boston on Wednesday the Twenty Sixth Day of this Instant May: Firstly: put to Vote whether The Town should send a Representative: and Voted in the Negative not to send any person. Att a

Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the Fifth Day of July Anno Domini 1773: To Choose Two Jury-men to serve at the next inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday of July Inst. Then was Draughted to serve as Jury men at the Court aforesaid Mr. Willm. Tarring and Mr. John Baker. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened on Monday the Twenty Fifth Day of October Anno Domini: 1773, in order to Choose Two Jury men for the Superiour Court to be holden at Salem in the County of Essex: on the First Tuesday of November next. Firstly was Chosen to serve at said Court on the Grand Jury Deacon John Allen: Secondly was Chosen to serve on the petit Jury at the aforesaid Court Mr. Andrew Hooper.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned & Convened the Twentieth Day of December Anno Domini 1773: to Choose Jury men for Salem Court. Firstly was Chosen for Jurymen: James Lee. Secondly was Chosen Joseph Killam.

Essex s.s. To Mr. Jonathan Brown Constable of the Town of Manchester — Greeting — Whereas a Number of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester have made Application unto Jacob Hooper Aaron Lee and Benja. Kimball Select-Men of said Town for the Calling a Town Meeting Whereby said Freeholders & Inhabitants may have an Opportunity of spreading their aggrieved Circumstances before the Town as set Forth in their Petition to the said Select Men preferred on the Twenty First Day of [139] January Anno Domini one Thousand seven hundred and Seventy Four. These are in his Majesties Name to will and Require you forthwith to Notife and warn All the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Legally Qualified for Voting in Town Meetings to assemble at the Meeting house in said Manch<sup>r</sup> on Monday the Fourteenth Day of February next at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon Then and there agreeable to the aforementioned aggrieved Partys Request to Enquire the Reason of the Late new Tax being made. 2ly. To know the reasons why the Rich Mens Rates run so Low and the poors so high. To put to Vote any Thing Else that may be thought for the Advantage of said Town: And Then and there to Choose a Moderator for said Meeting. To have Brought and Laid before the Town The First and second Inventory with the First & second Rate Lists. 5ly. To obtain Reasons if possible why Two Rate Lists were given out





for the year one Thousand seven hundred and seventy Three. Hereof Fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings Thereon at or before the said Time of Meeting.

Dated at Manchester Jan<sup>y</sup> 29 : 1774

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| N. B. Return of this warrant                | } | By order of the Select-Men             |
| was made at y <sup>e</sup> Time             |   | Benj <sup>a</sup> . Kimball Town Clerk |
| herein prefixed by Jon <sup>a</sup> . Brown |   |  |
| Constable                                   |   |  |

Att a Town-Meeting in Manchester Warned and Convened on Monday the Fourteenth Day of March Anno Domini 1774 for the purposes Mentioned in the foregoing Warrant. Firstly was Chosen for a Moderator Nathaniel Lee Sen<sup>r</sup>. Secondly Voted that the Two Inventories and Two Rate Lists Be Brought and Laid before the Town. Thirdly Voted that Kimballs Saying he knew of but one Tax for seventeen hundred & seventy Three was not satisfactory to the People. Fourthly voted that neither of the Taxes made in 1773 shall stand being so illegal. Fifthly voted that the Fourth Vote be null void and of none Effect. Sixthly Voted that the First Tax made in 1773 shall stand proper abatements thereon being made. Seventhly voted that the second Rate List now in the hands of Constable Jonathan Brown : be recalled : and that the First Rate List be Committed to said Constable to Collect.

Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Brown Constable of the Town of Manchester — Greeting — in his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to Notify and Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants : of the Town of Manchester Legally qualified for Voting in Town-Meetings to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the seventh Day of March Next : at Eight of the Clock in the Morning of said day : then and there to Make Choice of a Moderator for said Meeting : and also to Make Choice of Wardens : select-men : Assors : Town Clerk : Town Treasurer : Constable : and all other Town officers : as the Law directs. and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money as shall or May be supposed needfull for the Relief of the poor of said Town : & for the defraying every other Charge Necessarily arising within the same. and to see if the Town will Lay out a way through the Neck to the Neck-Beach : and Further to take under Consideration the present Circumstances of William Jones. to Make Choice of a Grand Juryman having a Real Estate of forty shillings pr. Annum or a personal Estate worth fifty Pounds to serve at the Court of

General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Ipswich in and for said County of Essex on the Last Tuesday of March Next and at the several Courts of general sessions of the Peace successively to be holden in and for said County for one year Next Ensuing [140] also to know the minds of the Town wether Vessels own,d in Town and out of Town shall pay Taxes to the High-way or not, and Also wether said Vessels shall pay Taxes to their Value according to money at Intrest: and Lastly to know what p<sup>r</sup>. Ct. shall be Laid on all Trading stock that goes through any mans hands for one year and to be rated accordingly. Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant and your doings thereon unto myself on or before the said Time of Meeting Given under my hand and seal at manchester this Fourteenth day of February anno: Domini 1774

N. B. Return of the above } By order of the Select-men  
 warrant was made at the } Benj<sup>a</sup>. Kimball Town Clerk  
 Time herein prefixt by }  
 Jon<sup>a</sup>. Brown Constable.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned and Convened on Monday the seventh day of March 1774 at the Meeting-house in said Manchester: In order to Choose Town officers to serve the Town the Ensuing year: and to transact all other Town Business Mentioned in the foregoing Warrant 1ly. was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting Deacon Jonathan Herrick 2ly. Chosen for Warrdens Aaron Lee & Eleazer Craft. 3ly. Chosen Town Clerk John Tewxbury. 4ly. Chosen for select-men Jonathan Herrick s<sup>a</sup>. Andrew Woodberry and John Tewxbury. 5ly. Chosen for Town Treasurer John Tewxbury. 6ly. Chosen for Constable and Collector Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 7ly. Voted that the Remaining Business of this Meeting: be done by a hand Vote 8ly. Chosen for Hog-Reves Nathaniel Harskel: Benj<sup>a</sup>. Harskell: Stephen Danford: Richard Day Joseph Day & And<sup>w</sup>. Hooper 9ly. Chosen for Grand Jury-man John Cheever 10ly. Voted that Hogs go at Large being yoaked & Ringed according to Law. 11ly. Chosen for Haywards Joseph Killum: Jacob Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. Ezekiel Knowlton and Andrew Lee 12ly. Chosen Surveyors of Fences Jacob Hooper sen<sup>r</sup>. John Cheever and William Brown. 13ly. Chosen for Tything-men [141] Ebenezer Lee & Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 14ly. Chosen for







Sealer of Weights and Measures John<sup>s</sup> Cheever 15ly. Chosen for  
 Cordors of wood John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow: Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft  
 Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Sen<sup>r</sup>. 16ly. Chosen for sealer of Leather Elisha<sup>s</sup>  
 Allen. 17ly. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>.: Andrew<sup>s</sup>  
 Marsters: Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee: Samuel<sup>s</sup> Forster: John<sup>s</sup> Edwards John<sup>s</sup> Tewx-  
 bury and Andrew<sup>s</sup> Woodbury: 18ly. Chosen for Inspectors of  
 Deer: Benj<sup>a</sup>. Ober<sup>s</sup> Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper S<sup>n</sup>. 19ly. Chosen for Cullers of  
 Hoops & Staves and packers of Fish John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury and Obed<sup>s</sup>  
 Carter. 20ly. Chosen for Measurers and Markers of Boards Tim-  
 ber and Cullers of Clapboards and Shingles: John<sup>s</sup> Cheever Na-  
 than<sup>s</sup> Lee William<sup>s</sup> Brown and Joseph<sup>s</sup> Killam. 21ly. Chosen for  
 Pound Keeper Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown 22ly Chosen for Measurers of  
 Grain John<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury: Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury and Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter: 23ly.  
 Clerks of the Market Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Eliazer<sup>s</sup> Craft John<sup>s</sup> Baker  
 and Samuel<sup>s</sup> Foster. 24ly. Chosen surveyors of High ways An-  
 drew<sup>s</sup> Woodberry. Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jon-  
 athan<sup>s</sup> Allen J<sup>n</sup>. and Joseph<sup>s</sup> Knight Jun<sup>r</sup>. 25ly. Voted that the Se-  
 lect-men this day Chosen shall be Assors the Ensuing year. 26  
 Voted that the Assessors this day Chosen shall assess the Inhab-  
 itants of the Town: three shillings upon the Poll: and two Pence  
 upon the Pound on the Income of Estates: to defray the Charges of  
 Mending the high-ways: the Ensuing year. 27ly. Voted that the  
 surveyors this day Chosen shall be Collectors of Taxes in his own  
 Ward. 28ly. Voted for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary fifty Pounds  
 29ly. Voted to M<sup>r</sup>. Toppan as a Gift Forty Pounds. 30ly. Voted  
 for a Grammar School forty five Pounds. 31ly. Voted that the Select  
 men this day Chosen be a Committee to Lay out the Money [142]  
 Voted for the use of a Grammar Choole 32ly. Voted to defray  
 Town Charges the Ensuing year Ninty five Pounds. 34ly. Voted  
 that the select men be a Committee to Lay out a way from the  
 widow Hannah Drivers House to the Neck Gate. 35ly. Voted that  
 the Select-men be a Committee to Treat with the Proprietors of  
 the Neck Land: and see what they will Take for a way through  
 their Land to the Neck Beach and make Return at May Meeting  
 Next. 36ly. Chosen for Constable the Ensuing year Jonathan

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Brown 37ly. Voted that Doctor Joseph Whipple have Twenty shillings of old Perrys account. 38ly. Voted that select-men have no pay for making the second Taxes. 39ly. Voted that the wall below the Town Landing: be Extended to the Town Warf. 40ly. Voted that Jonathan Brown have paid him out of the Treasury Eight Pounds for Building the Town Bridge. Essex s.s.

To Mr Jonathan Brown Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are Hereby required forthwith to Notify and warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Town of Manchester that have an Estate of free hold in Lands within this province or Territorys of forty shillings pr. annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of Forty Pounds sterling: to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the Twenty third day of May Instant: at six o'Clock in the Morning: then and their to Elect and depute one or more person or persons being free holders and Resident in the same Town to Represent us at a great and General Court to be holden at Boston upon Wednesday the Twenty fifth day of May Instant: also to take into Consideration a Letter from the Committee of Correspondence of Boston hereof fail Not and make Return with your doings thereon to myself before the time of said Meeting.

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| A Return of the above Warrant<br>was made before the said Meeting<br>by Jonathan Brown Constable. | } | By order of the Selectmen<br>of Manchester<br>John Tewxbury T. Clerk |
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Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the twenty third day of May 1774 to make Choice of one or more persons to represent us at a great and General Court to be holden at Boston on Wednesday the twenty fifth day of May Instant and also to take into Consideration a Letter from the Committee of Correspondence of the Town of Boston. 1ly. Voted Deacon Jonathan Herrick' Modrator for said Meeting 2ly. Voted Not to send any person to Represent us at said Court 3ly. Doctor Joseph Whipple Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Foster M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards and John Tewxbury was Chosen a Committee [143] to take into Consideration the said foregoing Letter and to draw up some thing to be Laid before the Town at their Meeting by adjournment, and then the Modrator was pleased to Adjourn the Meeting to Fryday the third day of June 1774. and then Mett and Excepted the Committees





Report. and Doctor Joseph Whipple Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry & John Tewxbury was Chosen a Committee of Correspondence with the Town of Boston. Voted that the Committee Now Chose Transmit to the Committee of the Town of Boston a Copy of the above said Committees Report and then the meeting was Desolved. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on Monday the thirteenth day of June 1774. (after Leagel warning) met to Choose two Jurymen to serve at the Next Inferior Court of Common pleas to be holden at Salem on the second Tuesday of July Next. then was Drawn out to serve at the said Court M<sup>r</sup>. John Bailey. and M<sup>r</sup>. Noah Dodge. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally warned and met together on Monday the twenty second day of August 1774 1ly. M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting 2ly. Voted unanimously that if any damage should arise from said Meeting that the Town will defend the same and suport all Charges that shall arise therefrom. 3dly. Voted to send Delligates to the County Congress. 4<sup>th</sup>ly. Voted that Each Delligate shall have for there Servise Eight shillings p<sup>r</sup>. Day. 5<sup>th</sup>ly. Voted to send three Men to Represent us at a County Congress. 6<sup>th</sup>ly. Voted and Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters and M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Delligates to Represent, us at a County Congress to be holden at Ipswich in the County of Essex and then the Moderator was Pleased to dsolve the Meeting.

Essex ss.

To Jonathan Brown Constable of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are required forthwith to Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester that have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this Province or Territory of forty shillings per annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of forty shillings Sterling. to Assemble at the Meeting House in said Manchester on thursday the twenty second day of september Instant at four o'clock in the after Noon: then & there to Chose one or More Person or Persons (being freeholders and Resident in the same Town) to serve for and Represent them [144] at a great and Genarel Court to be held at Salem on Wednesday the fifth day of October Next. and likewise to see if the Town will reconsider a former Vote that the selectmen for the year 1773 should not be paid for making their second Rate list

Manchester 15<sup>th</sup> 1774

John Tewxbury T. Clerk

By order of the Select-men

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on thursday the twenty second day of september Anno : Domini : 1774 Legally warned and Met agreeable to the foregoing Warrant in order to Chose one or more Person or Persons to Represent us at Great and General Court to be holden at Salem on Wensday the fifth day of october Next. 1<sup>ly</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting 2<sup>ly</sup>. was put to Vote Wether the Town would send a Representative which passed in the affirmative to send one. 3<sup>ly</sup>. Was Chosen for a Representative M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Voted in Case the General Court should be desolved, that the Representative this day Chosen shall be a Delligate to Represent the Town at a Provincial Congress. 5<sup>ly</sup>. was put to Vote wether the Town would reconsider a former Vote that the Select-men for the year 1773 should not be paid for making their second Rate List, which Pass'd in the Negative. and then the Meeting was adjourned without day.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on thursday the sixth Day of october 1774 by Adjournment in order to receive the Votes of the Freeholders of said Town for a County Register in the Room of John Higginson Esq<sup>r</sup>. dec : Which were accordingly Received sealed up and sent to the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Essex, and the meeting Adjourn'd without Day.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on Monday the 21 day of November 1774. by Adjournment in order to Chose two Jurymen to serve at the Next Inferiour Court to be holden at Salem on the last Tuesday of December Next. When M<sup>r</sup>. William Hooper and M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Procter ware drawn out to serve at the above said Court. and Likewise to see if the Town will Indemnify Constable Jonathan Brown for not paying Harrison Gray Esq<sup>r</sup>. Treasurer of the Province : What of the Province Money he has in his hands. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Constable Jonathan Brown shall not pay Treasurer Gray What of the Province Money he has in his hands 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Indemnify Constable Jonathan Brown for not paying Treasurer Gray What of the Province Money he has in his hands. 3<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Constable Jonathan Brown shall keep What of the Province Money he has in his hands Till the Town shall give further orders. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Comply with directions of the Grand Congress Relatetive to Mourning. and then the Meeting was Adjourn'd without Day. Att a Town Meeting in [145] Manchester on Tuesday the twenty seventh Day of December 1774 Legally







warned and Convened by Adjournment. to see if the Town will order Constable Jon<sup>a</sup>. Brown to pay what of the publick Money he has in his hands to Henry Gardner Esq<sup>r</sup>. of Stow — and also to Choose a Committee of Inspection to see that the Resolves of the Continental Congress be Carried into Execution, and also to Choose a Deligate for the provincial Congress—to be held at Cambridge the first Day of February Next. and also to see if the Town will agree upon some more speedy way to Collect the Province Tax for the present year than the usual: and also to see if the Town will agree upon a Certain sum of Money to be Raised for the poor of Boston. 1<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Constable Jonathan Brown pay what of the publick Money he has in his hands forthwith to Henry Gardner Esq<sup>r</sup>. of Stow. 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose a Committee of Inspection to see that the Resolves of the Continantal Congres be Carried into Execution 3<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that said Committee Consist of Seven Men. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Voted and Chosen for said Committee John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Mis<sup>rs</sup>. John Rogers Samuel Foster Aaron Lee Eleazer Craft Jonathan Brown and John Baker. 5<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the select-men be a Committee: forthwith to Hire the province Tax for the year 1774 and Cause it to be Immediately paid to Henry Gardner Esq<sup>r</sup>. of Stow. 6<sup>ly</sup>. Voted and Chosen Mis<sup>rs</sup> John Rogers Eleazer Craft and John Edwards for a Committee to Collect a subscription for the Poor of Boston and to pass the same into the Town Treasurer 7<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Town Treasurer forthwith or as soon as May be pay the Money subscrib,d and Collected by said Committee for the Poor of Boston. into the select men of Boston. 8<sup>ly</sup> Voted to Choose a Committee to wait on Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters Lieut. Samuel Foster and Ensign Eleazer Craft officers in the Militia to see if they will Muster their Company together and officiate in their offices or not, and to make Return to the select men if they Refuse. 9<sup>ly</sup>. Voted Mis<sup>rs</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Aaron Lee and John Tewxbury a Committee to wait on said officers. 10<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that two Barrels of Powder be Immediately Provided by the select men for the use of the Town. 11<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that Applicaction be Made by the Selectmen Immediately to Lieut. Thomas Lee, or to M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Edwards Administrators for a Barrel Powder which said Edwards Borrowed of the Town in the year that the Stamp Act was Repealed and [146] the Meeting Adjourned to further orders. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally assembled on the twenty Eighth Day of January 1775 agreable to adjournment from the

twenty seventh of December 1774 To Take into consideration a Report of the Town of Marblehead Respecting the Detention of their seafaring Bretheren from sailing to the Banks untill the twentieth Day of March Next and also to Choose a Committee to agree upon a Certain sum of Money to be raised for the support of the Minute men so-called, and how such Money shall be Disposed off . Said Committee to make Return at the next adjournment. 1ly. Voted unanimously That they highly approve of the Measures adopted by the Town of Marblehead respecting their sea faring Brethren Not sailing to the Banks untill the twentieth Day of March. Next : and shall (provided the Method meets with the approbation of the Towns which are similarly Circumstanced with us) Cheerfully Adopt the same. 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Cap<sup>t</sup> Andrew Marsters, John Tewxbury. M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Procter. Mr. John Rogers, and M<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft—A Committee to agree upon a Certain sum of Money to be Raised for the support of the Minute men so called and how such Money shall be disposed off—and to make Return at the Next Adjournment.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally assembled on Monday the Twentieth day of February 1775. by Adjournment from the twenty Eighth day of January Last. To see if the Town will agree to build a House in some Remote part of the Town for the use of the Small Pox, and to put the Poor of the Town in When not used for the Small Pox. and to build a smoak House for the Same Purpose, and to Choose a Committee to Look out a suitable Place to set said Houses on and to Bargain for the same. and to agree with some person or persons to build said Houses. and Lay the Same before the Town at their Anuall Meeting in March Next. 1ly. Voted to Build said Houses for the use above Mentioned. 2ly. Voted and Chooosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick Lieut. Jacob Hooper Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Mesrs. Stephen Allen John Cheever Jacob Allen & John Edwards a Committee to Look out a suitable Place in the Town to sett said Houses on and to agree for the same, and to agree with some person or Persons to build said Houses : and to Lay the same before the Town at there Annual Meeting in March Next. 3ly. Voted that the select men Imediately Provide another House for the Small Pox and Likewise a smoak House for the same use. 4<sup>th</sup>ly. Voted that the widow Mary Bears House is the most suitable for said use and





the widow Hovey's for a smoak House, and that they be by the select Men Imediately Taken up. 5ly. Voted and Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> Andrew Marsters Lieut<sup>t</sup> Samuel Foster Major Benj<sup>a</sup>. Craft John Rogers Eleazer Craft Jacob Tewxbury John Edwards Aaron Lee Samuel Allen Ju<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Herrick Ju<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Hooper Edward Lee Benjamin Ober Francis Craft and Deacon John Allen a Committee to Inspect the Small Pox. Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Brown Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In his Majesties Name you are hereby required forthwith to Notify and warn all the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Rateable at twenty Pounds Estate. to one single Rate besides the Poll: to Assemble [147] at the Meeting-House in said Manchester on Monday the twentieth day of March Next at Eight o'Clock in the Morning: then and there to Choose a Moderator for said Meeting, and then to make Choice of Wardens; Selectmen: overseers of the Poor: Town Clerk: Town Treasurer: Constable: and other Town officers as the Law Directs and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Money as shall or May be supposed Needfull for the Relief of the Poor and to defray all other Necessary Charges arising within said Town. and to see if the Town will Lay a fine upon any Person or Persons that shall Leave a stove in the Meeting House upon any occation Whatever, and Lastly to see if the Town will Reconsider a Vote pass,d Last March Meeting that the former select men should not be paid for Making their second Rate List.

Manchester February 27, 1775

Essex ss. Agreeable to the within by order of the Selectmen have Notified and warned the free- John Tewxbury Town Clerk holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Lawfully Qualified to Vote in Town Meeting, to assemble at the Time and Place within Mentioned.

Manchester March 20-1775

Jonathan Brown Constable

[148] Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally warned and Convened on Monday the twentieth Day of March 1775 at the Meeting House in said Manch<sup>r</sup>. In order to Choose Town officers to serve the Town The Ensuing year and to Transact all other Town Business Mentioned in the foregoing Warrant. being Continued by Adjournment from time to Time, 1<sup>ly</sup>. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry

was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the select men had no Right to abate Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Fosters John Edwards and Andrew Woodberrys Schooner Rates for the year 1772. 3<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Wardens Jonathan Brown Jeremiah Dow. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Select men Andrew Woodberry Eleazer Craft and John Tewxbury. 5<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Town Clerk John Tewxbury. 6<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Town Treasurer John Tewxbury. 8<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Constable Jacob Tewxbury. 9<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Grand Jury man for the Ensuing year John Baker. 10<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose all the other Town officers by a hand Vote. 11<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Hog reeves Ezekiel Knowlton Jonathan Brown Jacob Tewxbury John Tewxbury Jesse Dodge & Joseph Knight. 12<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that swine go at Large being Yoaked and Ringed according to Law. 13<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Haywards Lieut Jacob Hooper Joseph Killum Samuel Allen and Benjamin Craft. 14<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Surveyors of Fences Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters Lieut. Jacob Hooper and Ensign Jonathan Brown. 15<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Tything men Benjamin Ober Aaron Bray 16<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of weights & Measures John Cheever 17<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cordors of Wood Jacob Hooper John Tewxbury Jeremiah Dow and Eleazer Craft. 18<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for sealer of Leather Elisha Allen. 19<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cullers of Fish John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters Lieut. Samuel Foster Lieut. Aaron Lee Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry Lieut. John Edwards & John Tewxbury. 20<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Cullers of Hoops & staves & packers of fish John Tewxbury & Obed Carter. 21<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Inspector of Deer Jonathan Herrick Ju<sup>r</sup>. and Lieut. Jacob Hooper. 22<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Measurers of Boards and Timber and Cullers of Clapboards and Shingles. Joseph Killum John Cheever and William Brown. 23<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Pound Keeper Joseph Killum 24<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Measurers of Grain and salt Obed Carter John Tewxbury & Jacob Tewxbury. 25<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Clerks of the Market John Baker Cap<sup>t</sup>. Benjamin Kimball & Lieut. Samuel Foster. 26<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for serveyors of Highways Jonathan Herrick Ju<sup>r</sup>. Deacon John Allen Lieut. Jacob [149]







<sup>s</sup> Hooper Ensign Jonathan Brown & Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry 27<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for Assessors the select men. 28<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that y<sup>e</sup>. select men this day Chosen shall Tax Each Poll three shillings and two pence p<sup>r</sup>. pound on the Income of Estates by the last years Inventory to Defray the Charges of mending the Highways the Ensuing year. 29<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the surveyors of Highways shall be Collectors of Taxes in their Respective wards. 30<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Select men this day Chosen shall asses the Town fifty Pounds for M<sup>r</sup>. Toppans Covenanted Salary and thirty Pounds as a Gift — he finding himself Wood. 31<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to raise £45. 0. 0 for the support and Maintainance of a Grammar School the Ensuing year: 32<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Lay out the Money for the School: 33<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Raise £110. 0. 0 for the Defraying of Town Charges the Ensuing year 34<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Saxton be and hereby is appointed & Impowered by the Town to sue for and recover, of any Person that shall Leave a stove in the Meeting House on any occasion whatever, a fine of two shillings and to have the same for his Trouble. 35<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to reconsider and make Void a Certain Vote Passed Last March Meeting, that the former Selectmen should not be paid for making their second Rate List Which Vote is made Void and of None Effect.—and the Meeting was Adjourned to Monday the 26 Instant at two o'Clock P. M. and then met. 1<sup>t</sup>. Voted to Raise £80. 0. 0 to defray the Charges of Building a Small Pox House. 2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Choose a Committee of three men to Look out and purchas a place to sett a small Pox & a smoak House upon and to agree with a Person or Persons to Build said Houses in the Cheepest Manner. — 3<sup>ly</sup>. Chosen for said Committee Deacon Jon<sup>a</sup>. Herrick Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Marsters & Lieu<sup>t</sup>. [150] Samuel Foster. 4<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Treasurer be and hereby is Impowered to Hire upon Intrest twenty six Pounds thirteen shillings and four pence to defray the Charges arising by the small Pox. 5<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the Town take upon them: the Engagement of Deacon Jonathan Herrick Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Foster & Benjamin Craft: to William Badcock Relative to Robert Perrys House: and then the Meeting was adjourned to April 17 at two O'Clock P. M. and then Met and: 1<sup>t</sup>. was Voted to give M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Perry for the Damages of having the Small Pox in his House, over and above finding him a House to Live in the While: and paying the Charges of moveing from and to his House: three Pounds ten shillings. 2<sup>dly</sup>. Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodberry shall have Rep-

representatives pay for serving at the provincial Congress the year Past and no more. 3<sup>y</sup>. Voted that the Select men for the year Past shall pay the three schooners Rates which They abated for the year 1772. 4<sup>y</sup>. Voted that the Town shall pay, the Charges of House Rent of Moving People from and to their Houses, and the select mens Trouble, in Time of having the Small Pox. 5<sup>y</sup>. Voted to allow M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin ober ten Dollars of his account for halling skipper Warren Wood two year. 6<sup>y</sup>. Voted that the Committee Chooosen to Build the Small Pox Houses who were to make their Report at this adjournment, be allowed to make their Report the Next Town Meeting.—7<sup>y</sup>. Voted to allow Doctor Joseph Whipples account against the wid<sup>ow</sup>. Lucy andrews, Will<sup>m</sup>. Camp & Hannah Carter. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on fryday the Twenty First day of Appril Anno: Domini: 1775. previous to the Fight at Concord, In order to do something for the safty of the Town: Andrew Woodberry was Chooosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting and firstly was Voted [151] to keep four Watches: one at Glasses head or Black Cove: to Rang from Chubs Creek to Marsters Point one in the Center of the Town to Range from Bennetts Hill to Edward Hoopers Corner: one at the old-Neck to Rang from the Northern End of Glasses Beach to Thunder-Bolt Hill: and one at Kettle-Cove on great Crow-Island: 2<sup>dly</sup>. Voted to Build two Watch Houses, one at Glasses Head or Black Cove: and the other at Crow Island: 3<sup>dly</sup>. Voted that the select-men be and are hereby Impowered to Build said Watch Houses: 4<sup>y</sup>. Voted that if any Person shall Refuse to watch when they are properly warned, shall pay a fine of two Dollars: 5<sup>y</sup>. Voted that Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Hooper shall have the Care of the watch at Kettle Cove: 6<sup>y</sup>. Voted that if any Person not Meet on an Alarm with all his Accuterments shall pay a fine of Forty shillings: 7<sup>y</sup>. Voted that Each watch shall be at their Posts at half an Hour after sun sett and to Continue there watch Till sun Rise. 8<sup>y</sup>. Voted to Choose a Committee of two Men to advise with the Committees of the several sea-port Towns who are to Meet at Beverly on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>. of April Instant; 9<sup>y</sup>. Voted Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry and John Tewxbury for said Committee.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Tuesday the 23<sup>d</sup> day of May 1775. in order to Choose a deligate to Represent us at a Provincial Congress: Voted not to send one Likewise Voted that if M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Presson shall refuse to watch or do his turn in Watching that He will greatly Incur the displeasure of the Town.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Assembled on Mon-





day the third day of July in order to Choose a Representative and to see if the Town will have a watch keep,t at the Neck Beach. firstly Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry was Choosen Moderator 2dly. Voted not to send a Representative 3dly was Choosen for Jury for Salem Court William Stone and John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 4ly. Voted to Build two Watch Houses one at Glasses Point and the other at Image Hill: 5ly Voted that the select men be a Committee to agree with some Carpenters to Build said Watch Houses in the Cheepest Manner: 6ly Voted Unanimously that it is agreeable to have a Company of Soldiers stationed in this Town: 7ly. Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup>. Andrew Woodberry have Eight shillings pr. Day for his servis on the Committee proportioning the soldiers. 8ly. Choosen for a Howard in the absence of M<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Craft. M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Lee 9ly Choosen for Officers for the Company to be stationed here Samuel Foster Cap<sup>t</sup>. Aaron Lee Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Eleazar Craft Second Lieu<sup>t</sup>. and Andrew Lee a second Lieu<sup>t</sup>: in Case any should Refuse serving: and In Case the Cap<sup>t</sup>. should Refuse the Lieu<sup>t</sup>. to take his Birth.

Att a Town in Manchester on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>. day of July 1775. upon the Request of a Number of the Inhabitants to see if the Town will Choose a Committee of Corespondance to Consist of five, seven, or nine, men, and to Choose any other officers that shall be thought Necessary, and to do any other Business that shall be thought advisable for the Peace & safety of the Town, and firstly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Choosen Moderator for said Meeting 2dly. Voted to Choose a Committee of Corespondance to consist of Nine Men: 3dly Chóosen for said Committee John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deacon Jonathan Herrick, Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Jacob Hooper: M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards: Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel [152] Foster: M<sup>r</sup>. Aaron Lee: Cap<sup>t</sup>. Isaac Lee. M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Proctor and M<sup>r</sup>. Eleazar Craft. 4ly Voted to have the Law Read Respecting order in Town meeting 5ly Voted M<sup>r</sup>. John Morgan a sargent for the Half Company. 6ly. Voted Cap<sup>t</sup>. Isaac Lee a sargent for said half Company and he Refused to serve. 7ly Voted that the former Committee of Correspondance be and hereby is Desolved. 8ly. Voted that the Soldiers Enlisted under Cap<sup>t</sup>. Whipple should not be supplied with Powder by the Selectmen untill another Captain be Choosen.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester on Monday the 21 Day of August 1775. Legally Assembled to see if the Town will Reconsider a Vote Pass,d at the Last Town Meeting for biding the Select-men

supplying the soldiers Enlisted under Captain Whipple with Powder untill another Captain be Chosen firstly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting. 2ly. Voted that the Vote pass,d at the Last Town meeting for biding the select men to supply the half Company stationed in this Town with Powder untill another Captain be Chosen and the Company settled. Be and hereby is Reconsidered 3ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Eleazar Craft be and hereby is appointed to Procure the Cloathing as Resolved by the Provincial Congress and that if the Province will not pay him for his Trouble in procuring said Cloathing that the Town will.

Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally Assembled on Fry-day the Twenty fourth Day of November 1775 in order to Choose sum Town officers Accasoned by the Death of M<sup>r</sup> John Tewxbury. Firstly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chosen Moderator secondly [153] Chosen Aaron Lee Town Clark Thirdly Chosen M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Twexbury Town Treasurer Forthly Chosen M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards a Select Man Fiftly Chosen M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards an Assessor Sixthly Voted to Dismiss the Town School from this Day seventhly Voted that the Town Clarke now Chosen shall make a Minit of the said Meeting and Record the Sam when He shall have been sworn and then the meeting was Dissolved. Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally Assembled on Monday The Eighteenth Day of December 1775 in order to see if the Town would Choose a Commetee to Purchas a stock of Corn for the suport of the Poor of s<sup>d</sup>. Town and Firstly M<sup>r</sup> Elezer Craft was Chosen Moderator of said Meeting 2ly Voted Not to Chose a Commetee separte from the select men 3ly Voted that the Select men be the Commetee to purchas a Stock of Corn for the Poor to the amount of 50 Bushels & then the Meeting was Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting in Manchester Legally assembled on Thursday The fourth Day of January 1776 in order to Regulate the watches in the Town and as all Commetes in the Severall Towns are to be Dissolved Excepting the Commetee of Correspondence for Each town To see if the Town will Continue the Present Commetee of Correspondence or choose another and to see if the Town will Prefer a Petition to the House of Representatives To Lessen the Province Tax Provided it should be as large as is reported also to Do Any other Bisness that Shall be Thought Needfull Firstly Chosen Nath<sup>l</sup>. Lee Moderator Sec<sup>ly</sup>. Voted to Keep a watch and to be Paid by a Tax of the Town Allowing Each man to watch his Turn. Thirdly Voted to Choose Three men To







take care of the watches M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Lee Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuell Foster M<sup>r</sup> Elezer Craft Fourthly Voted to Keep three watches in the Town and to Buld a Watch house at M<sup>r</sup>. Procters point Fifthly Voted that Each man shall Have Two shillings pr Night Sixthly Voted that the Select men shall buld The watch house at Procters point and Remove the watch house at Newport To its former place and to supply the watch houses with halfe Cord wood For Each house seventhly Voted that no Negro shall be allowed to watch Eightly Voted that the Charge that has ben at Newport all Ready shall Be brought in with the other watches Ninthly Voted if any of the watches should be found a sleep by any Person he shall forfeite his Wages 10ly. Voted Not to Dissolve the old Commetee of Correspondance 11ly. Voted That the Select men Prefer a Pertition to the Gennarall Court for an Abatement of the Province Tax 12ly Voted that the Men that Keeps the Watch shall go upon Duty at Sun Sett and Come of att Sun Rise.

Att A Town Meeting Leagully Warnd In Manchester on Monday The Twenty second Day of January 1776 on the Request of the Select men to see if the Town will Choos one or more Person or Persons As assistance or advisers with the Present assessors. 1ly Choozen Nathaniel Lee Modarator and after a Longe Debate on the Matter and Could Not agree on any Terms the Meeting was Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Warned In Manchester and Conveaned on Thursday the Nintenth Day of october 1775 In order to Agree upon sumthing for the safty of the Town against our unnatureal Enemies Firstly M<sup>r</sup>. Nathaniel Lee was Choozen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting Voted Firstly to throw up Some Intrinchments In sun Convenent Place In the Town Secondly Voted to Choose a Committee of Five men to Lay out som Convenent [154] Plase In the Town for Intrinchments Thirdly Choozen M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Lee Samuel Foster Jonathan Brown Eleazer Craft Azariah Norton for said, Committee Forthly voted that the People of Town should work Two Days If they Please on said Intrinchments Fifthly voted that the Committe shall lay out such Places for Intrinchments as they shall Think Propper Sixthly voted to Indamnefy those Persons on whose Land Intrinchments shall be made agreeable to other Towns. Essex s.s.

To M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Tewxbury Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting. In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required Forthwith to Notify and Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants

of the Town of Manchester Rateable att Twenty Pounds Estate to one Single Rate besides the Poll to Assemble att the Meeting house in Manchester on Monday the Eighteenth Day of March Instant att Eight o'clock In the Morning then and there to Choos a Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> Meeting and then to Make Choice of Wardens Selectmen Town Clerk overseers of the Poor Town Treasurer Constable and all other town officers as the Law Directs and to agree upon granting Such sum or sums of Money as shall or may be thought Needfull For Relief of the Poor and to Defray all other Nesessary Charges arising within Said Town and to see if the Town will Choos a Standing Committee of Correspondence and also To see if the Town will Choos a Committee to Petition the house of Representatives for this Colony to obtain Pay for the Town watching and to obtain Men to be stationed In s<sup>d</sup> Town hereof fail not and Make Return of this warrent and your Doings thereon unto myself on or before the Time of Meeting Given under my hand and Seal att manctester the second Day of March anno [155] Domini 1776

Essex ss. agreabl to the within  
have warned the People to appear  
at the time and Place within Men-  
sioned Jacob Tewxbury Constable

} By order of the Select Men  
Aaron Lee Town Clerk

Att A Town Meeting In Manchester Legally Warned and Convened on Monday the Eighteenth Day of March 1776 at the Meeting house In said Manchester In order to Choose Town officers to Serve the Town the Insuing year and to Transact all other Town Business Mensoned In the Fore Going Warrent 1ly Deacon Jonathan Herrick was Chooosen Moderator for said Meeting 2ly was Chooosen Mr Frances Craft and Moses Dodg for Wardens 3ly was Chosen Town Clerk for the Insuing year. Jacob Tewxbury 4ly was Chosen for Select men Mr Eleazer Craft & John Edwards & John Cheever 5ly was Chooosen for Town Treasurer Jacob Tewxbury 6ly was Chooosen Constable M<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Lee 7ly was Chooosen for Grand Juriman for the Insuing year Mr William allen sen 8ly Voted that the other Besinness be Dun by a hand vote. 9ly was Chooosen for Hog Reef for the Insuing year Mr Edward Lee Elisha allen John allen Jn<sup>r</sup> Frances Craft Azeriah Norton Richard Day 10ly voted that Hogs should Go at Larg being yok and Ring according to Law 11ly was Chosen for Howards for the Insuing year : mr Jacob Hooper Ezekiel knowlton obed Carter William Badcock sen<sup>r</sup>. 12ly was Chosen for Survayrs of Fences for





the Insuing year Mr Ezekiel knowlton Benjamin ober Steven allen 13ly was Chosen for Tyding men for the Insuing year messrs Moses Dodge & Ebenezer Lee. 14ly was Choosen for Sealer of waights and Mesuers for the Insuing year M<sup>r</sup> John Chever 15ly was Chosen for Corders of Wood for the Insuing year M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Hooper & Jeremiah Dow sen<sup>r</sup> & Eleazr Craft & Benjamin Craft. [156] 16ly was Chosen for Sealer of Lether for the In suing year Mr Elisha allen 17ly was Chosen Collers of fish for the Insuing year John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Andrew Marsters Samuel Foster aron Lee John Edwards and Andrew Woodberry 18ly was Choosen for Collers of Hoops and Stavs for the Insuing year Mr. Obed Carter & John Tewxbury 19ly was Chosen Inspector of Dear Mr Ezekel knowlton 20ly was Chosen Mesurers of Boards Timber and Plank for the In suing year Mr John Chever William Brown and Ebenezer Lee. 21ly was Chosin Pound keeper for the Insuing year Mr obed Carter 22ly was Chosen for Mesurers of Grain & Salt for the Insuing year Jacob Tewxbury & Mr Benjamin Craft 23ly was Chosen Clerks of the Markets for the In suing year M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Forster & John Baker. 24ly was Chosen Survayers of the highways for the Insuing year Messrs Jonathan Herrick Eleazer Craft andrew Woodbry and Deacon John allen. 25ly was voted that the survayers this Day Chosen shall work out the Rates that ware Maid the Last year also that they should be Collectors for the same Rates 26ly was voted that the Select men This Day Chosen should serve as assesors for the Insuing year. 27ly. was voted M<sup>r</sup> Toppans Covenant Sallery fifty Pound also as a Gift to Mr Toppan Twenty Pound 28ly. was voted to Raise one hundred and fifty Pounds to Defray Town Charges for the year Insuing 29ly was voted to Chos five men for a Committee of Correspondence also was Chosen for the saim Deacon John allen and Mr. John Chever azariah Norten Jacob Tewxbury and Doctor Josep Whipple 30ly was voted that the Select men Petetion the General Court for Pay for the Town watching also for men to be stationed In Town also for abatement on the Province Tax 31ly was Chosen att This Meeting Two men to Serve on the Petit Jury at Ipswich Court Namly Mrs John Driver and azariah Norten then was the meeting Dismist

[157] Att A Town Meeting In Manchester Legally Warned and Conveined on Monday the 22 Day of April 1776 In order to see If the Town would send one or more Person or Persons to a County Convention to be held att Ipswich the 25 Day of this Instant firstly

was Chosen For Moderator for said Meeting John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Secondly was voted to send one Person Thirdly was Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> to serve as Delegate att the Convention as above Mentioned Fourthly was voted that Doctor Joseph Whipple should be Paid for writing as Clerk of the Corospondence Committee Fifthly was voted to Choose Two Persons to serve as additional members of the Committee Sixthly was Chosen for the saim Mr Stephen allen & John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> then the Meeting was Dismist.

Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Legally Warned and Convened and Mett to Gather on Wednesday the Third Day of July 1776 In order to Choos Jury men for the Infearor Court to be held at Salem the Ninth Day of July Instant 1ly. was Chosen Deacon Jonathan Herrick for Moderater for said Meeting 2ly was Chosen for Jury men Mr Ezekiel Cheaver and Andrew Lee 3ly was Chosen a Committee of Three men to vallew Robert Pearys house viz Namely M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Procter John Cheever & Jacob Tewxbury 4ly was agreed to call another Meeting to have the Report of the said Committee Likewise to see If the Town will agree to bye said Pearys house also to see if the Town will agree to Raise the Money to Pay for the same and Then the Meeting was Dismist.

Att A Town Meeting Legaly warnd and meett To gether In Manchester on Monday the 22 Day of July In 1776 In order to hear the Report of the Commettee In Regard to Robert Pearys [158] house 1ly was Chosen for Moderator Deacon Jonathan Herrick 2ly was heard the Report of the Committee whose Judgments was that the house was worth Twenty nine pounds six shillings and Eight pence when said Peary was movd out of it In the Time of the Small Pox 3ly was voted to Give the said Peary for his house Twenty Nine pound six shilings and Eight Pence Lawfull money upon said Pearys Consenting to Relinquish the Three Pounds Ten shilings that was voted to be Given to him at a Town Meeting In April the 17 1775 also all the other Charges that was voted should be paid on accompt of his Family being Movd att that Time also to Pay to said Peary Lawfull Intrest for the Twenty nine pound six shiling and Eight Pence from the Time that his Goods ware Taken out of his house to the Time that the Money is Paid 4ly was voted that the selectmen should assess the Town thirty two Pounds In order to pay for the said house and the Intrest of the money 5ly was voted that the 100 Bushels of Corn that the Select men has Taken in more than was voted should be Bought should be Received for







the youse of the Town and to be Disposed of as the select men shall Think Proper Also at this Time was opened Another Meeting In order to Choose one Man to serve as Juryman at the Court of Admiltry to be held at Salem was Drawn for the same Mr. Benjamin Ober then the Meeting was Dismist.

[159] Att A Town Meeting In Manchester Legaly warnd and Mett to gether on Thursday the Tenth Day of october 1776 In order to Choose Jury men for the Court of admiltry to be held att Salem was Drawn for the same William Tuck and John Edwards.

Att a Town Meeting In Manchester on Monday the Twenty Eighth Day of october 1776 In order to Choos Jury men for the Supenor Court att Salem was Chosen for Grand Jury men Isaac Lee for the Petit Jury Andrew woodberry.

Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Legaly Warned and Meett To gether on Friday the 29 Day of December 1776 1ly was Chosen for Moderator Deacon Jonathan Herrick 2ly was Chosen for Constable William Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>. 3ly was voted that all the Bounty that hath Bin Given to the Solders In months past of this Present year should be Brought into one Sum 4ly was voted to Raise Sixty Eight Pounds to Defray the above Bountys to gether with the Charges 5ly was Chosen for the Committee to Leavey the Tax of the above Deacon Jonathan Herrick John Chever and William Tuck 6ly was Chosen for Collecttor of said Tax William Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> 7ly was Chosen for Jury men for Salem Court John Orsmentt & William Allen Jn<sup>r</sup> and then the Meeting was Dismist Att A Town Meeting In Manchester Legaly warned and mett To gather on Winsday the Thirteenth Day February 1777 In order to see If the Town would agree to Raise a Bounty for the Solders that Inlist into the service Firstly was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Secondly was voted to Give [160] to Each Person that will Inlist Into the Contenental servise Fowerteen Pound Besides the Bountys Given By the Continent and Provinces Provided the vote can be suported By Law so the Meeting was Adjurnd to Friday the Twentyth Day of Februey Instant att one o'clock In the after Noone Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup> William Allen Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—in the Name of the government and the people of this Colony you are hearir by Required Fourth with to Notify and warn all the Freeholders and Other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualified as the Law Directs to Voat in Town affairs to assemble att the Meeting House in said Manchester on

Monday the Seaventeenth Day of March Instant at Eight o'Clock in the Morning then and their to Choose a Moderator for said Meeting and then to make Choise wordens select men town Clark Overseers of the Poore Town Treasurer Constable and all other Town offesers as the Law Directs Likewise to agree upon Granting such a sum or sums of Money as shall or may be thought Needfull for the support of the Poore and to Defray All other Nesserry Charges arising within said Town Allso to Choose a Committee of Corrispondance Inspection and Safty allso to Transc any other Buisness as may be thought fitt at that time heare of Fail Not and make Return of this worant to my selfe with your Doing theiron before the time of said meeting given Under my hand and seele at manchester this First Day of March Domina 1777 by Order of the Select men

Jacob Tewxbury Town Clerk

[161] agreeable to the above warrant

I have Notified and wordnd the people to appear at the time and plase

Pre fist in said worant Will<sup>m</sup> Allen Constable

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitance of the town of Manchester Legaly worned and assembled on Monday on the seaventeenth Day of March Ann<sup>o</sup> Domina 1777 In Order to Chuse town officers to serve said Town the Insuing Yeare 1ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Modderater for said Meeting 2ly John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> and Azariah Norton was Chosen wordins 3ly John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> William<sup>s</sup> Tuck and Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Select men 4ly John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Town Clark 5ly John<sup>s</sup> Allen sen<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Town Treasury 6ly Andrew Lee was chosen Constable 7ly Eleazer Craft William<sup>s</sup> Tuck Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Brown & John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen for a Committee of Corrispondance Inspection and safty 8ly was Voated to Do the Remainder of the town Buisness by a hand Voat 9ly John<sup>s</sup> Baker was Voated for a grand Juryman. 10ly Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Elisha<sup>s</sup> Allen Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Orsment William<sup>s</sup> Badcock Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewxbury and Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Voated hog Reaves 11ly was Voated that hogs should Run at Large being well yoked and Ringed According as the Law Directs 12ly Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper William<sup>s</sup> Badcock Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup> and Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ober was Voated to serve survoyors of Fences 13ly William<sup>s</sup> Badcock william<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown





Eleazer Craft Samuel Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Ruben Knolton was Chosen haywards 14ly Frances Craft and Ezekiel Allen was Chosen Tiden men 15ly John Cheaver was Chosen seailer of weights 16ly Jonathan Brown Aaron Lee Jeremiah Dow Benjamin Craft was Chosen Whood Corders. 17ly Elish Allen was Chosen to be a seailer of Leather 18ly Obed Carter & John Tewxbury was Chosen Cullers of hoops and staves 19ly william Brown John Cheaver Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen sevairs and Markers of Boards 20ly Obed Carter was Chosen pound Keeper 21ly Sam<sup>l</sup> Forster John Baker was Chosen Clarks of the markits Samuel Foster Sam<sup>l</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> John Edwards John Cheaver Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jacob Hooper was Chosen Surveyors of the High ways 23ly was Voated the High ways should be mended by a Tax the Heads to pay three shilings and the Estates pay in the same propotion 24ly was Voated that all the heads that are in the Continentle servise by Land or See shall Not Pay any Highway Tax this prest year 25ly was Voated that the surveyors of the Highways should Gather their Taxes 26ly was Voated that the Selectmen this Day Chosen should stand as assessors to sess the town the yeare Insuing. 27ly was Voated to Give the Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Toppan for his Covinant Sellery fifty Pounds Lawfull money £50-00-0 28ly was Voated to Give the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Benia Toppan thirty pounds as a Gift Including twenty Cords of Whood 29ly the meeting ajourned till frydia y<sup>e</sup> 21 instant 30ly the Meeting at ten o'clock on fryday was opened 31ly was Chosen Deair Reave Jonathan Brown 32ly was Chosen Meeter or measurer of Grain William Tuck 33ly was Voated to Rase one hundred and seaventy pounds £170 Lawfull Money to Defray Town Charges and supply the Poor 34ly was Voated that the Constable Jacob Tewxbury should strain on Cap<sup>t</sup>. Samuel Lee<sup>s</sup> Estate for his Taxes in the yeare 1775. John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Enters his Dissent against [163] said Voate past against said Sam<sup>l</sup>. Lee Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck and Aaron Lee they Enter their Dissent against said Voate past against said Sam<sup>l</sup>. Lee 35ly was Voated to seet the Meeting House the Names of the Committee as Viz. Azariah Norton Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck Jacob Hooper Isaac

Procter Jonathan Brown andrew Lee John allen sen<sup>r</sup> John Baker Frances Craft John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> John Orsment. 36ly was Voated that the select men of the town of manchester shall Hire money for to supply the poore with If None in the Treasurey Att A Town Meeting in Manchester Leagally worned and assembled to gether on thursday April y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1777 the meting opened and 1ly was Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> moderator for said meeting 2ly the meeting adjourned till monday the 14<sup>th</sup> said 14<sup>th</sup> the meeting was opened 3ly Voated Eleaser Craft for a first major for Cape ann and manchester Rig<sup>t</sup>. by written Voats 4ly a Committee was Chosen to meet the Committees of sum oather Committees at wenham 5ly Voated Beni<sup>n</sup>. Craft and John Baker to be added to the Committee of Corrispondance Inspection and Safty 6ly for three to be a Corum in said Committees then the meeting Dismissed 7ly was Voated that all the men that was in the Continentel service in 1776 without Bounty should have C<sup>r</sup> on the town Books of twenty Dollars till Run out in Raising Bountys for solders for the futer. Att A Town meeting Leagaly worned in Manchester and assembled to Gether on Monday May y<sup>e</sup> second 1777 y<sup>e</sup> meeting opened 1ly was Chosen Moderator for said meeting John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. 2ly was Reconsidered the Voat that was past on fourteenth Day of april 1777 in Chusing a First Major of the sixth Rig<sup>t</sup>. on Foot 3ly was Voated m<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Craft a second Major for said Rig<sup>t</sup>. the meeting Dismissed Att a Town Meeting Leaguly worned in Manchester and assembled to Gether on Monday May y<sup>e</sup> 12 1777 at Nine Oclock in the morning the meeting opened 1ly was Chosen Co<sup>l</sup>. John Lee Moderator for said meeting and then we proceeded to Choose a Representative for this Election 2ly was Voated Eunamisley to Send one and 3ly Cap<sup>t</sup>. will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck was Chosen By written Voats for a Representative for the Town of Manchester to Reprsent said Town to the grate and Genaril Court of this State at ten the metting Dismissed.

Att a Town Meeting Leagualey worned in Manchester and Assembled to gether on wednesday June the 25<sup>th</sup>. 1777 at seaven in the Morning the meeting was opened 1ly. was Chosen for Moderator John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. 2ly was Chosen Rigerster of Deeds for the County of Essex John Pickrin Jun<sup>r</sup>. 3ly was Voated to Choose three men to be in the Committee to Inspect all persons that are Inamical to the Laws of the Ginarel Cort of this State said Committee is to be under oath accordingly was Chosen by Ritten proxies







Nath<sup>l</sup> Lee Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter Thomas<sup>s</sup> Stevens 4ly John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen to take Notes of all Internal Enemyes and to Enter a Complaint against such offenders 5ly was Chosen Nath<sup>l</sup> Lee survayor of the High ways 6ly was Chosen Jurey men for to serve on the Petty Jurey at Salem on the second wednesday in July Isaac Presson and Jesse Dodge the meeting Dismised. Att a Town Meeting Leaguley wored in Manchester and Assembled to gether on monday Sept. y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1777 at ten O'clock in the morning the meeting was opened 1ly was Chosen moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> 2ly was Voated to support the solders famelys that is heare after mentioned as much as 40/<sup>s</sup> pr. month agreabale to the Pries acts and what they Give more the town is to sink they Laying their acct. Before the selectmen to make the allowance the Names of the Heads of the famelyes is Viz John Lendall Josiah allen Stephen Danford [165] Sam<sup>l</sup>. Ayers Joseph Badcock John Baley Will<sup>m</sup>. Camp & Caleb Bartlet If he Counts for one of our Number of the three year men in the Continentale service 3ly was Voated that all that shall inlist in the service till our three year Coato be full that Have famelys shall share the same fate as the above mentined 4ly was Chosen survayor of the Highways Jonathan Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. the meeting Dismised. Att a Town meeting Leaguly wored in Manchester and Assembled to Gether on thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1777 the meeting opened 1ly was Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> 2ly was Chosen for a Committee Obed Carter John Baker Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. to take an acct. of the solders famelys that are forst to Give for the Nessarys of Life more than the stipolated Price and that was in forse when the solders Did Inlist into the Continentale service that is what they are forst to Give more so far as 20/<sup>s</sup> per month from Sept. Last the over and above that is Given for s<sup>d</sup> articles is to be Layd Before the Greait and Jenarel Cort of this state 3ly was Chosen for Town Clerk william Tuck To serve in s<sup>d</sup>. office while the anuale Town Clerk is absent the meeting Dismised. Essex s.s. To mr. Andrew Lee Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In the Name of goverment and People you are hereby Required to Notify and worn all the freeholders and oather Inhabitance of the Town of manchester that are Voaters according as the Law Directs to assemble at the meeting House in s<sup>d</sup>. Manchester on fryday the Ninth Day of Jany. 1778 at two o'clock in the after Noon then and there 1ly to Choose a Mod-

erator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting 2ly to see If the Town will ad sumthing by way of Gratuety towards the Support of the Rev<sup>d</sup>. m<sup>r</sup>. Toppen threw the Presant year and what Som will be agreable to the town and the meathod of assising and Colecting the Same so that he the s<sup>d</sup>. m<sup>r</sup>. Toppen may have Emeadiate Release 3ly to see If any Votes heretofore have bin Passed Respecting Extra Bounty Given by the Town to those Solders that Inlisted for three years in the Continental service for the town of manchester weather such Voats Respecting the same may or shall be Reconsidered allso to Consider or Determin what Efectual meathod shall be Taken towards assesing Leveing and Colecting the money Paid as an Extra Bounty to those Solders who Inlisted in to the Continentel service for the terme of three years for the town of manchester ware as some of the famelys of the solders who are in the Continentale Service are in a Suffering Condition and for their Emediate Release for the town to Conseder wather the town will impower the Committee of supply for the affore s<sup>d</sup> Famelys to make out a fare List of the Sums Due to the fameleys according to the Prices of articles to the amount of a months Pay from the first of Sept<sup>r</sup>. Last to the first Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1777 and to borrow as much money on Loan as will Discharge the Balance Due to s<sup>d</sup> Fameleys hereof fail Not and make Return of this warrant to my selfe of your Doings at or before the time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting Given unde. my hand and seail this 26<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1777 by order of the Select men

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John Allen T. Clerk

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Town of manchester Duly Qualifyed to Vote in town affairs

to assemble at the time and Place for the Porpose

within mentioned

Andrew Lee Constable

Att a Town Meeting in the town of manchester Leaguely worned and the Inhabitance assembled to gether for the Porpose mentinoid in the foregoing worant the meeting Opened Jany the 9<sup>th</sup> 1778 at two O'clock in the after Noon 1ly was Chosen moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting [166] John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. 2ly was Voated to give the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Benja Toppen as a gift the Presant year by way of gratuety for his Emediate Support Sixty pounds Lawfull money £60 3ly was Voated for the Presant sesors to sess the s<sup>d</sup> som and the Presant Constable to Colect s<sup>d</sup> som sesed 4ly was Voated for all the Bounty that has been given to the Continentale solders for three years,





should be Brought in to a Tax and the Present sesors to sess s<sup>d</sup> Tax and the presant Constable to Colect s<sup>d</sup> Tax 5ly was Voated for the Committee of Supplyes to settle with the solders namely that their husbands are in the Continentale Service so Far half of their wages will go agreeable to the Price acct and Refund the over and above Surpresage from the first Day of Sept<sup>r</sup>. 1777 to the first Day of ——— 1777 and hire money for s<sup>d</sup> settlem, in behalf of s<sup>d</sup> Town 6ly was Voted that all that have ben in the Service shall have the same prepotion of Cred<sup>t</sup>. Dotchester Excepted 7ly was Voated for the selectmen to Take in posesesion the wood Lots of Sam<sup>l</sup>. Leaches Deceased in Shingle Place adjoining to Richard Leaches ayrs on one side and Solomon Lee the other and settle with the Enfringers that have Borrowed Nearer then they had a Rite. Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Lee Constable of the Town of Manchester. In the name of government & People you are hereby Requiered Fourthwith to Notifye and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Rateable at twenty Pounds Estate to one single rate besides the poll To Assemble at the meeting house in s<sup>d</sup>. Manchester on Tusday the Third day of March Next Ensuing the Date Hereof at Eight A Clock in the Morning of s<sup>d</sup>. Day Then and their to Choose a Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. Meeting and to make Choice of Wardens select Men Town Clarke Town Treasurer Constable and all other Town Officers [167] as the Law directs And to agree upon Granting such Sum or sums of Mony as shall or supposed Needfull for the Relief of the Poor and defraying all Other Charges necessarily arising within said Town. And to see if the Town will adopt any other plan then What have ben heretofore practised to support and suply The poor And also suply the fameleys of the solders in The Continantal Service and to Chouse a Standing Commetee of Corispondance hereof fail not and make Return of this Warrant and your doings thereon unto my selfe on or before the said time of Meeting Given under my hand And Seal at Manchester this fourteenth day of Feb<sup>y</sup>, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred seventy & Eight

Feb<sup>y</sup>. 14 1778

by order of the Selectmen

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Notifyd and warnd s<sup>d</sup> Inhabitance to assembl

At y<sup>e</sup> Place and tim within Mentioned Andrew Lee Constable

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Legally warned And assembled on Tusday the fourtenth

day of March Anno Domini 1778—In order to Chouse officers to serve said Town the year Ensuing 1ly Capt<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck was Chosen Modarator for said Meeting 2ly Chosen Wardans Andrew<sup>s</sup> Lee & Jesse Dodge 3ly Chosen for Town Clarke Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee And then the meeting was adjourned to Wensday 4 Enstant At 8 in the Morning And then Meet 1ly Chosen For Town Trassurer Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown 2ly Chosen Constable Ezekeil Knowlton & Paid his fine 3ly. Voted to make Choice of Three men to Joyn the Presant Selectmen to consider s<sup>d</sup> agreved Party in the Last years Tax 4ly Voted that Dea<sup>n</sup>. Jonathan Herrick John Cheever & John Baker be the Commetee. 5ly. Voted to Do the Rest of the Bisness by a hand Vote Except select Assesors & the Commetee of Corispondance 6ly Chosen for Grand Jurymen Malachi Allen 7ly Chosen for hogs<sup>s</sup> Reaves Edward Lee Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter Jacob Hooper Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft John Twxbury Will<sup>m</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. 8ly Voted that the hogs go at Large well yoked & Ringd 9ly. Chosen Surveyours of Fences Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Foster Jacob Hooper Jonathan Herrick Jonathan Brown. 10ly Chosen haywards John Tewksbury William Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jeffery Goldsmith Jonathan Brown Ruben Knowlton & Asa Herrick. 11ly Chosen for Tything men Moses May Joseph Hasham ' 12ly Chosen for sealer of weights & measurs John Cheever 13ly Chosen wood Corders Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Aaron Lee Jeremiah Dow & William Brown 14ly. Chosen Sealer of Leather John<sup>s</sup> Baker 15ly Chosen Cullers of Hoops & Staves Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter John Tewksbury 16ly Chosen Markers of Boards & Timber William Brown John<sup>s</sup> Cheever Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick & Asa<sup>s</sup> Herrick 17ly Chosen Pound Keeper Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter 18ly Chosen Clarks Market Sam<sup>l</sup>. Foster John Baker 19ly Chosen surveyors of hyways Samuel Foster Aaron Lee John Edwards John Cheever Jonathan Allen Jacob Hooper. 20ly Voted that the Last years Warrant shall be New Dated and signed by the selectmen and a Justis of Peice And the Balance of said Warrant to be worked the Ensuing year and that each man worke or lyer sum sufficent Person to worke in their place to ye Amount of their Tax At the Rate of Three shillings p<sup>r</sup> Day. 21ly Voted that it shall be in the Select mens Power to order The Men [168] from one Ward to the Other as they Think Proper And then the Meeting was Adjourned to Monday the 9 Enstant at 8 In the Morning and then







Meet. 1ly Voted that their should be five Assesors the Ensuing year 2ly Chosen for Assesors John<sup>s</sup> Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> Decon Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Cap<sup>t</sup>. William Tuck John<sup>s</sup> Cheever Majour Elez<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Craft 3ly Chosen For Select men Majour Elez<sup>r</sup>.<sup>s</sup> Craft John<sup>s</sup> Cheever & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Herrick Jun<sup>r</sup>. 4ly Voted that the select men should hyer mony to supply Poor if Their should be None in the Treasurer. 5ly Chosen For Constable Jeffery Goldsmith And Paid a fine five Pounds Lawfull Mony And then the Meeting was Adjourned to Tusday the 10 Enstant And Then they Meet. 1ly Chosen Constable Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 2ly Chosen For A Commetee of Coraspondance safty & Enspect<sup>n</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Stevens Maj<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Craft John Baker Jonath<sup>n</sup> Herrick John Cheever Frances Craft Andrew Lee and Cap<sup>t</sup>. William Tuck 3ly Voted that the Commitee to Suply the solders Famileys Tell Furder order M<sup>r</sup>. John Baker Obed Carter Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. And that said Commitee to settle with Solders Familys till the Last of Febury and after wards Monthley 4ly Voted that the Commitee hyer Mony to Suply the solders Famileys if Wanted. 5ly Chosen for Meeters and Measurer of Grane William Tuck 6ly Voted Jeffery Goldsmith Enspecter of Dear 7ly Voted to Give The Rev<sup>d</sup> Benj<sup>a</sup> Toppen One Hundred & Fifty Pounds Encluding his Covenant Sallery the Ensuing year 8ly Voted To Rais Five Hundred Pounds To Defray Town Charges And supporting the Poor. 9ly Voted surveyers sam<sup>ll</sup>. Foster John Edwards Jacob Hooper Jonathan [169] Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. John Cheever Aaron Lee. 10ly Voted that William Allen sen<sup>r</sup> should stand as Collector To Collect the Remander of the Bounty Tax that was Maid in the year. 11ly Voted that if Cap<sup>t</sup>. Marstus & Cap<sup>t</sup>. Foster and all Conserved would Agree to wat abatments y<sup>e</sup> Commetee should make it would be agreeable if Not to Let The Rate List stand as it Came from y<sup>e</sup> Assessers Hands. Att a Town Meeting In Manchester on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1778 Leagully assembled In order to Consider of the forme of the Goverment Constitution and Proceeded as folloeth 1ly Chosen Modarator for said Meeting Cap<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck 2ly After Reading the forme of Goverment Constitution by Paragraphs it was Concluded that it was Not agreeball to those that was their. 3ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck should Joyn the Convention Held at Ipswich y<sup>e</sup> 15 Day of this month and then the meeting was adjourned to Tusday 28 Day of this Enstant April & then

Met at 8 In the Morning and Proceeded as Folloeth Viz— On Tuesday 28 Day of April met at the Vsall Place and adjourned The Meeting Tell Monday 18 Day of May at 8 In the Morning and Then Meet 1ly Voted by the whole body at the meeting which was 23 In Number that they Disapprove of the meathod of the Constatutiant 2ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup> John Bayleys Wife should be Paid by the Commetee of Suplys as the other Contanantall Solders familieys are Paid. Att A Town Meeting Leaguly Conveaned to geather on Tusday The Twenty first Day of May 1778. 1ly Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Moderater 2ly Chosen John Edwards an Asessor Pro tempary in Capt<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tucks absents. 3ly Chosen Samuella Bennet a Commette Man in the Rum of Tuck.

[170] Att A Town meeting Leagully Assembled to geather by The Desire of a Number of the Inhabitants to See if the Town Would grant Liberty to Ennocate for the small Pox in sum Convenient Place in the Town Accordingly they Meet and the meeting opened 1ly Voted John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Modarator 2ly after Long Debate on the Matter it was Put and Pased in the Negative that they should not Ennocate in the Town and y<sup>e</sup> Meeting Desolved. Att A Town meeting Leaguly assembled to geather on Monday the fifth Day of October in order to Chuse a Representative and other Bisness that should be thought Needfull at said Meeting. 1ly Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Modarator. 2ly. Voted not to send a Representative 3ly Voted to hyer the mony to Pay y<sup>e</sup> Solders their Wages the Last Compene to Road Island 4ly. Voted that the assessors shall make a Tax for all the preseding Bountys that their has Ben No Tax maid for 5ly. Voted M<sup>r</sup>. Nathan Storys familiey be supplyd y<sup>e</sup> same as the other solders familieys after the Extrordenary Bounty is Run out. 6ly. Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Brown M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Procter & Jacob Hooper be the Commette of Suplys For the Back Lowances of the Solders familieys & what is to Come. Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Manchester Leagully warned and assembled on Monday the fiftenth Day of March Anno Domini 1779 In order to Chuse Town Officers The Ensuing year.

Essex s.s. To M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable of The Town of Manchester—Greeting—In the Name of the Goverment and people you are hereby Required fourthwith To Notify and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to one Single Rate

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besides The Poll to assemble at [171] the meeting house in said Manchester on Monday The fifteenth Day of March Next at Eight o Clock in the Morning of said Day Then and their firstly to chose a Modarator for said Meeting and to make Choise of wardens Town Clark Select men & Aseors Town Treasurer Constable & Commette of Supplys and to Chuse a Standing Grand Jury And all other Town officers as the Law Directs and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall or may be supposed Needfull for the Releif of the Poor and Defraying all other Charges Nessesarily Arising within the said Town also to Transact any other Business that shall be thought Needfull at said meeting Here of fail not and make Return of this Warrant with your Doing theiron unto myselfe at or before the time of said Meeting given under my Hand and Seal at Manchester this Twenty fourth Day of February Anno 1779 by Order of the Select Men

Aaron Lee Town Clerke

Agreable to the within warrant I have

Notified and warnd the Inhabitants

to assemble at the place and time within mentioned

Jonathan Allen Constable

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Leagully warnd and Assembled on Monday fiftenth Day of March Domini 1779 In order to Chuse Town Officers the Insuing year 1ly. Eleazer Craft Esq<sup>r</sup>. was Chosen Modarator for said Meeting 2ly. Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee was Chosen Town Clerke 3ly. William<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. & John<sup>s</sup> Edward Chosen Wardens. 4ly. Eleazer Craft<sup>s</sup> John<sup>s</sup> Cheever & John<sup>s</sup> Allen was Chosen Select Men. 5ly. Voted to Chuse but 3 Assessors the Ensuing year. 6ly. Voted the select men this Day Chosen should be the Assesers s<sup>d</sup> Present year 7ly. Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown was Chosen Town Treasurer. 8ly. Voted that the Present select men should be a Commette to see the Accomp. Handed up to Treasurer Brown from Dec<sup>n</sup>. Allen to his satisfaction 9ly. Malachi Allen was Chosen Constabel [172] & Cleared 10ly. Frances Craft John Baker & Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bennet was Chosen a Commette of safty and Refused to serve. 11ly. Voted to Do all the Rest of the bisness by a hand Vote. 12ly. Frances Craft was Chosen Grand Jury man the Ensuing year. 13ly. Elisha Allen<sup>s</sup> Ezekiel<sup>s</sup> Allen Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> William<sup>s</sup> Stone William Badcock & John Edwards Hog Reaves. 14ly Voted

that the Hogs should go at Large yoked Ringed. 15ly Aaron Lee<sup>s</sup> Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter John<sup>s</sup> Edwards & Solomon Lee was Chosen fence Viewers y<sup>e</sup> Insuing year. 16ly Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter William Hooper Ruben Knowlton John Tewksbury William Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Haywards. 17ly Joseph Hasham & Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter was Chosen Tything men. 18ly John Cheever was Chosen sealer of weights & Measurs 19ly Jeremiah Dow Jonathan Brown Benj<sup>m</sup>. Craft Jacob Hooper was Chosen wood Corders 20ly John Baker was Chosen Sealer of Leather. 21ly Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter & John Tewksbury was Chosen Culler of Hoops & Staves 22ly Jonathan Brown John Cheever Solomon Lee was Chosen Marker & Meas<sup>r</sup>. Bord & Timber 23ly Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter was Chosen Pound Keeper. 24 Samu<sup>l</sup> Foster & John Baker was Chosen Clarke of the Markets 25ly Samuel Foster Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter John Edwards Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jeffery Goldsmith & Francois Craft was Chosen surveyrs of by Ways. 26ly Voted that the Select men Collect the Last years Warrant and take the Remainder of y<sup>e</sup> Mony Not worked out Last year and Perpotion it to the severall wards making such altarations as the Present surkemstances of Severall Kinds of Estates may Require. 27ly Voted that the select men should hyer money to supply the Poor if their Is No mony in the Treasurer offis. 28ly Voted Aaron Lee for meater & Measurer of Grane. 29ly Jonathat Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Enspector of Dear. 30ly Voted to Rais Twelve Hundred Pounds to Defray Town Charges 31ly Voted that the Select Man has Liberty to Do their Business at their Own Houses if they Think Proper and Lay their accomp. before s<sup>d</sup> Town 32ly Voted to Rais Two Hundred Pounds to supply a free school and the select Men to Lay out the mony as they Think Proper. 33ly Voted that the Select men should make out an Accompt<sup>t</sup> against John Perry For Keeping his Mother in the year 1778 and the Treasurer is ordered to Recover The Same 34ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup> John Stephens Aaron Lee & Jonathan Brown should Be the Committe to supply tld Solders famileys and the said Committe are to Hyer Mony on the Towns Accompt<sup>t</sup> if None in the Treasurer And then the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday the 18 Day of this month at 1 a Clock in the after Noon and then they meet 1ly







Isaac Lee was Chosen Constable & Paid a fine of £5. 0. 0. 2ly Voted to Give the Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Toppen Two Hundred & fifty Pounds to make up His Salery for 1778 He giving a Receipt in full. 3ly Voted that the Assessors should make a Tax Emedately from the old Estimate and Let the same be Geathered as soon as Possible 4ly Voted Not to Rase M<sup>r</sup>. Toppens Salery tell the fall of the year. 5ly Amos Hilton was Chosen Constable & Paid a fine of £5. 0. 0. 6ly Joseph Day was Chosen Constable & Paid a fine of £5. 0. 0. 7ly Voted to hyer Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. for a Constable And Give him the three fines that has ben Paid 8ly Voted Cap<sup>t</sup>. Isaac Lee John Edwards & Obed Carter was Chosen For a Commette of Coraspondance Safty and Enspection the Present year. Att a Town Meeting Leaguly warned and Assembled togeather Fryday the second Day of April to see if the Town would take Any order on a Late Tax bill sent to the Town with the Present Quarter Tax 1ly Chosen Elezer Craft Modarator 2ly Voted that the Assessors should Not Proceed to make the Tax that the Court has Lately for. [173] 3ly Voted that the Town should not pay any part of the fines Laid On the Town: And no more of the Representatives Pay than Cap<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck has Charge<sup>d</sup> the Town. 4ly Voted that the Town should Pertition the Court for an Abatment of Part of the Tax bill. 5ly Voted that the Select men & Town Clerk should be the Commett to Petition the Court for the above abatiment. 6ly Voted that the Select Men make the same allowance to M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Day and others that was up to Winter Hill the same allowance as the other solders had in the Town In Propotion

Att A Town Meeting Leaguly Warned and assembled to geather on Monday the sevententh Day of May in order to Chuse a Representative the Present year. 1ly. Chosen Eleazer Craft Mod-erator for the said Meeting 2ly Voted Not to send a Representative Judgeing the Town as a Town Not able to Pay the Charge. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled to geather 1779 on Monday the fifth Day of July in order to Chuse Jury man for Salam Court to be holden on y<sup>e</sup> Second Tusday of this Enstant 1ly Chosen John Twksbury & Nehemiah Presson for Jury man on y<sup>e</sup> Pettett Jury.

Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned and Assembled to geather To see what the Town would Do Conserving the Maintenance of Joseph Lee being Maintaned by the Town weather his son should maintane His father or Not And to hear & Report of y<sup>e</sup> Conven-

tion Concerning y<sup>e</sup> Deprecation of y<sup>e</sup> Mony &c. 1ly Voted Eleazar Craft Modarater for said Meeting. 2ly Voted that Joseph Leach Jun<sup>r</sup> should Maintaine his father ever sence y<sup>e</sup> Last March Meeting & that the Select men should make out a bill of the Charges from said Meeting to this Day & make a Demand of y<sup>e</sup> Same of y<sup>e</sup> said Leach and if he should Refuse to [174] Pay the same the s<sup>d</sup> Selectmen are to sue for the same Emedeatly 3ly Voted that the Report of the Convention is satsafactory to this Town 4ly Voted To chuse a Comettee to Regulate the Prices in the Town and Make a Return of their Doings To the Chairman of the Convention. 5ly Voted for y<sup>e</sup> Comeettee To setle Prices in the Town, Deacon Jonathan Herrick Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaac Lee Cap<sup>t</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck Cap<sup>t</sup> John Allen & Lieut. Jonathan Brown. 6ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Prices after they are set by the Commettee should Be Lade before the Town for their aprobation — and then the Meeting was Adjurned to the Tenth of August at 6 In the Morning And then Meet acord- ing to the ajournment. 1ly Voted that Report of the Prices Laid before the Town are setasfactory To stand till the first Day of October Next. 2ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Present Commettee should be a standing Commettee To Enquire into the Prices of the Artikels of Consumtion in the Neighbouring towns and to Regulat our Prices accordingly in this Town. Att A Town Meeting Leagully assembled to geather to Chuse a Diligate To meet y<sup>e</sup> County Convention to be holden at Ipswich y<sup>e</sup> 19 of this Enstant August 1ly Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> John Allen to Joyne y<sup>e</sup> Convention afoursaid to Regulate y<sup>e</sup> Prises. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to Geather In order to Rais M<sup>r</sup> Toppens Salary for y<sup>e</sup> year 1779 According to a vote Past In March Meeting Last & to see if the Town will send Diligate to Concord to joyn the Convention in October next & one Deligate to set in Convention at Cambridge In Sept<sup>r</sup> to Constitute Laws & to Transact any other Business at the said Meeting The Meeting was Held y<sup>e</sup> 3 Day of August at seven in y<sup>e</sup> Morning 1779 1ly Chosen Majour Eleaz<sup>r</sup> Craft Modarator 2ly Voted not to Give M<sup>r</sup> Toppen Any Petickerler sum for his salery at Present. And M<sup>r</sup> Jacob [175] Tewksbury Entred his Decent against Giving M<sup>r</sup> Toppen any Salary at Present 3ly Voted Rais four hundred Pounds to be Paid into the Treasury & the said Treasurer to Pay to M<sup>r</sup> Toppen as the Assesors shall Give orders & m<sup>r</sup> Jacob Tuksbury Entred his Vot against it. 4ly Voted to Chluce a Com mett to Converse with Cap<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Lee About his Tax 5ly Voted to Leave all





abatments with y<sup>e</sup> Present Select men & Assesors as they shall think Proper 6ly Voted that the Report of the Convention was satisfactory to the Town at Present. 7ly. Voted to Assess y<sup>e</sup> Town with all the Mony that was Hyered for the Solders Bounty. 8ly Voted M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Tewksbury Tything man & sworn. Att A Town Meeting Leaguly Warned & Assembled to Geather In order To Chuse Jury men For Salem Court in November & to Pertetichon y<sup>e</sup> Court For an Abatment on the Heavy Tax Layed on the Town which they think the Town is Not able to Paye and to Act any other Business at the Meeting That shall be thought Needfull. 1ly Chosen Majeur Elezer Craft Modarator 2ly Chosen M<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Story to serve on the Grand Jury & Benj<sup>a</sup> Craft on The Jury of Trialls 3ly Voted to send a Petitchon to y<sup>e</sup> Court for an Abatment 4ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Presant select men with Cap<sup>t</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck & Aaron Lee to be the Commette to perfer the Petishon to y<sup>e</sup> Court & the Meeting Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully assembled to Geather to see if the Town would Proceed to Rais six men to Joyne the Continentall Army 1ly Voted Elezer Craft Moderatur 2ly Voted after Long Debate Weather The Select Men should rais y<sup>e</sup> whole of the six men or Not it Pased in the Negative 3ly Voted Not to Rais more than two out of the six 4ly Voted to Perfer a Pertishon to Generall Tidcolme to Git of the Men To be Raised on the Town 5ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck Joyne The Select Men as a Commette & the Select men to perfer y<sup>e</sup> Petishon 6ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select should try to Hyer two men in the Best manner they Can And then the Meeting was adjourned to Tusday the 19 of this Enstant October at seven o Clock in the Morning and then Meet 1ly was Laid before y<sup>e</sup> Meeting Generall Tidecoms Orders to Proportion The six men on the whole Regiment. 2ly Voted M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Hooper was Chosen one of the Commette of Supplys In the Rume of Cap<sup>t</sup> John Stevens. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled on the 5 of November In order to hear y<sup>e</sup> Repoart of the Late Convention held at Concord & to Chuse a Commett to Regulate the Prices in the Town 1ly Chosen Major Eleazer Craft Modarator 2ly Voted to Chuse Seven Men for a Commett to Regulate y<sup>e</sup> Prices 3ly Voted for y<sup>e</sup> Commett Corn<sup>l</sup> John Lee M<sup>r</sup> John Edward John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaac Lee Obed Carter James Lee & Aaron Lee And then y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was Disolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled To geather In order To Grant Liberty to Cap<sup>t</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tuck to set a Store on The Town Landing the said

Meeting Held on Dec<sup>r</sup> 5 1779. 1ly Eleazer Craft Modarator for said Meeting 2ly Votèd Liberty To Capt. William Tuck to Set up a Store on The Towns Land for the Space of Ten years and the said Tuck is to Pay Twenty Two Shillings L. M. Per. year in Silver Mony yearly. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled on y<sup>e</sup> Third Day of January 1780 To Petishion y<sup>e</sup> Court for an abatement of y<sup>e</sup> Late Tax Layed on this Town. 1ly Voted Capt<sup>t</sup> William Tuck Modarater 2ly Voted to Chuse an agent to Represent y<sup>e</sup> town at Court with a Memorall or a Petishion as the Assessors shall think Proper. 3ly Voted that Eleazer Craft for their agent to attend the Court for [176] the Above Purpos. Essex Sc<sup>tt</sup> To M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable of the Town of Manchester. In the Name of Goverment & People you are Hereby Required fourth with to Notify and warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabittance Qualifyed as the Law Directs to Vote in Town Affairs to Assemble att the Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the sixth Day of March Next at Eight oClock in the Morning then & their first to Chuse a Modarator for said Meeting & to Make Choise of wardens Town Clerke Select Men & Assessers Town Treasurer & Constable & a Commett of Supplys & to Chuse a Standing Grand Juryman for the year Ensuing & to Chuse all other town officers as the Law Dericts and to agree upon granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall Or may be Adjudged or Supposed Needfull for the Releife of the Poor and Defraying All other Town Charges that shall or may Arise in the said Town and to act on Any other Business that shall be Thought Needfull for the Benefit of said Town at the Presant Meeting Hereof fail Not & Make Return of this Warrant with your Doings hereon unto my selfe at or before the time of said Meeting Given under my Hand & Seal the Twenty first Day of Feburary Domini 1780. By Order of the Select Men Aaron Lee Town Clerk.

Manchester Febr<sup>r</sup> 21, 1780.

Agreable to the within warrant I have Notified & warnd the Inhabittance to attend at the Time & Place within Mentioned pr. Jonathan Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable.

Att an Annual Meeting of the Inhabittance of the Town of Manchester Leagully Warnd and Assembled on Monday the Sixth Day of March Domini 1780 In Order to Chuse Town Officers to serve said Town the [177] year Ensuing 1ly Chosen Maj<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Craft Modarator. 2ly Chosen Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Town Clerk 3ly Chosen James







Lee & Joseph<sup>s</sup> Lee wardens 4ly. Chosen Maj<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft John<sup>s</sup>  
 Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. & Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Select men 5ly Chosen that the Select this  
 Day Chosen should be the Assessors y<sup>e</sup> Present year 6ly. Chose  
 Malachia Allen Constable & Refused to take the Oath 7ly. Voted  
 Not To accept the Nominal sum of five Pounds paper Currency as  
 it Now Stands 8ly. Voted to ask Mr. Malachi Allen weather he  
 Consents to Pay a fine as the Law Now Directs For Non Except-  
 ance of Taking the oath of Constable the year Ensuing Question  
 askt & Answered in the Afermetive Yes — 8ly. Chosen Jonathan<sup>s</sup>  
 Brown Treasurer. 9ly. Chosen William Hooper Constable & Paid  
 a fine of £37. 10. 10ly. Voted to Reconsider y<sup>e</sup> fourgoing Vote Re-  
 specting Malachia Allen He Appearing & Pay a fine of £37. 10.  
 11ly. Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> William Tuck Constable & Paid a fine of £37. 10.  
 12ly Chosen John Perry Constable & Cleard by the Town 13ly.  
 Chosen Benj<sup>a</sup> Craft Constable & Cleard by Town 14ly. Chosen  
 Nehemiah Story Sam<sup>l</sup> Bennet & Obed Carter Commett of Safty  
 Corraspondance & Enspection 15ly Voted to Do the Rest of y<sup>e</sup>  
 Beseness by a Hand Vote. 16ly: Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> Nehemiah Story  
 Grand Jury man. 17ly. Voted John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewksbury  
 Will<sup>m</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper John<sup>s</sup> Tewksbury  
 Obed Carter Hoge Reaves Ensuing year 18ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Hogs  
 should go at Large well yoaked & Ring'd. 19ly. Voted Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee  
 Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Surveyer Fences 20ly Voted Wil-  
 liam<sup>s</sup> Hooper William<sup>s</sup> Badcock John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Ezekel<sup>s</sup> Allen Hay-  
 wards 21ly Voted Jacob Tewksbury Richard Pert Tything Men  
 22ly Voted John<sup>s</sup> Cheever Sealer & Marker of Weights & Measures  
 23ly: Voted Jeremiah Dow Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown Benj.<sup>s</sup> Craft Jacob<sup>s</sup>  
 Hooper Coarders of Wood 24ly Voted John<sup>s</sup> Baker Sealer of  
 Leather 25ly: Voted Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter John<sup>s</sup> Tewksbury Culler of  
 Hoops & Staves 26ly Chosen John<sup>s</sup> Cheever & Jacob<sup>s</sup> Allen Sen<sup>r</sup>.  
 Measurer & Marker of Boards & Timber 27 Chosen Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter  
 Pound Keeper 28ly Chosen Sam<sup>l</sup> Forster & John<sup>s</sup> Baker Clerks of  
 y<sup>e</sup> Markett And then y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was adjourned Tell Tusday y<sup>e</sup>  
 seventh Day at 8 In the morning And then the Meeting opened &  
 Preceeded as Followeth 1ly Chosen Constable William Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>

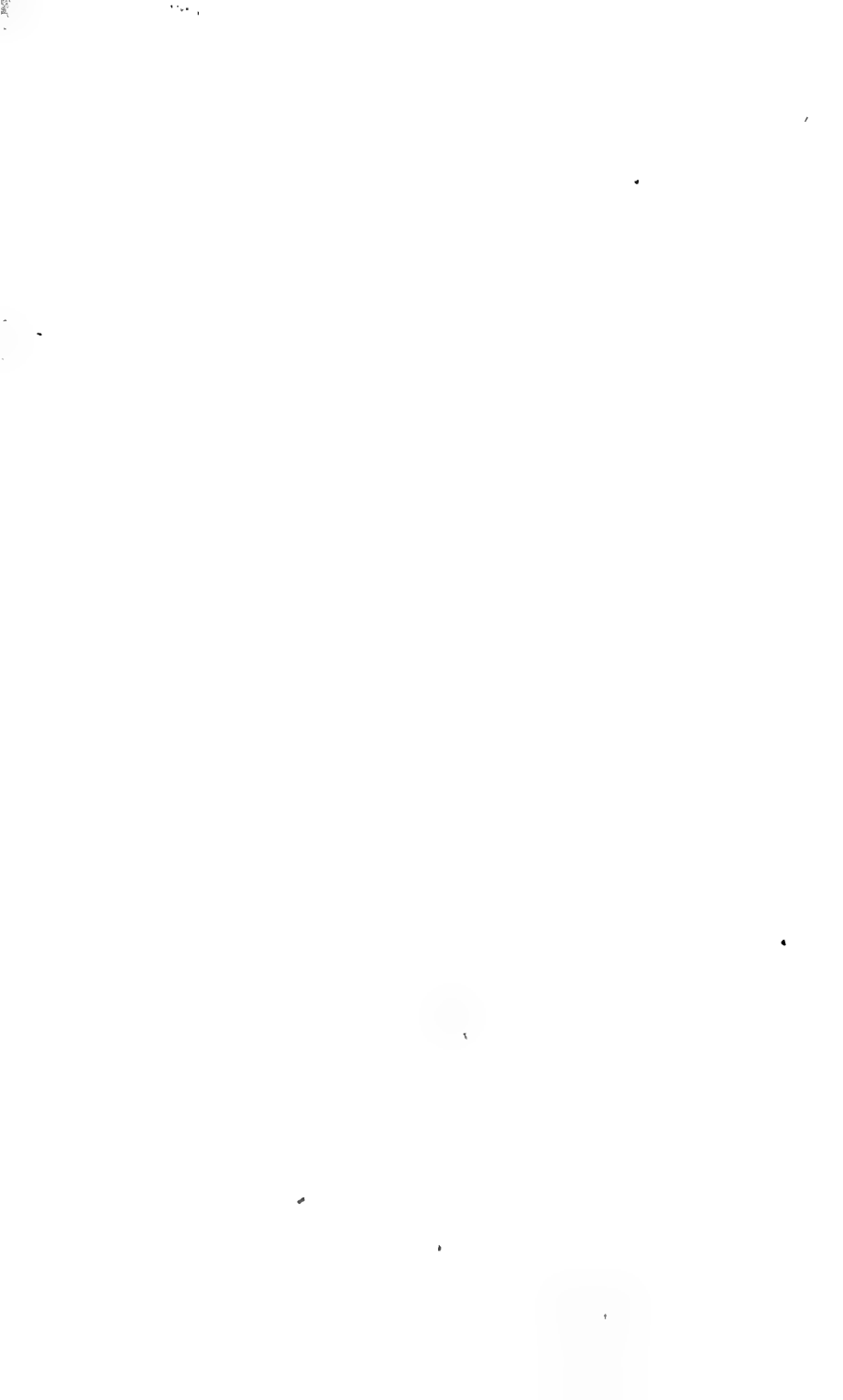
& Paid a fine £37. 10 2ly Chosen Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown John<sup>s</sup> Allen  
 Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft Jefferd<sup>s</sup> Goldsmith & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup> Benja<sup>s</sup>  
 Craft Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> hy ways. 3ly Chosen Sam<sup>ll</sup><sup>s</sup> Bennet Constable  
 4ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup> Joans should be Put out to board & y<sup>e</sup> Land set  
 up at Publick Vandue to the hyst Bidder 5 Chosen Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee  
 Meeter & Measurer of Grane 6ly Voted to Raise Eight Hundred  
 Pounds to Make Good M<sup>r</sup> Toppens Sallery for 1779 James Lee  
 Voted in the Negetive 7ly Voted that the Assessors should assess  
 the Town by y<sup>e</sup> Last years Estamate they Making such altarations  
 as y<sup>e</sup> surcumstances of the several Kinds of Estates may Require.  
 8ly Voted to Raise Twelve Hund<sup>d</sup> & Eighty Pounds to support the  
 Hy ways allowing four Pounds Ten Shillings Per Day a Man, & the  
 same sum for a good yoake of Oxen & Every man Is to have Leb-  
 erty to worke out his Rate if the said Person will worke when Cauld  
 upon if Not to Pay as Much as Will Hyer a Man More or Less 9ly  
 Voted that each surveyer shall be a Collecttor to Collect y<sup>e</sup> sum  
 Annaxed to His Warrant & the sum to Lay out & keep the Ways  
 in Good Repair & settle with the Select Men at the Close of the  
 year. 10ly Voted To Rase Eight Hund<sup>d</sup> Pounds to Suport y<sup>e</sup> Poor  
 & Defraying all other Charges as far as it will go. 11ly Voted Not  
 to rase any Mony for a free school y<sup>e</sup> Presant year 12ly Voted that  
 y<sup>e</sup> Commett of Enspection & Safty to be y<sup>e</sup> Commett to Supply  
 the solders Famileys 13ly Voted Not to Raise M<sup>r</sup>. Toppens [178]  
 Sallery tell A Futer Day 14ly Voted That M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Lee should  
 Not have any Allowance For his Service ye Last Compagne for three  
 Months & he Returned Back in fife Weaks & then y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was  
 Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to geather  
 on Monday The 10 of April in order to Hear y<sup>e</sup> Report of Majour  
 Eleazer Craft who was Chosen by the Town to attend y<sup>e</sup> Court & to  
 see what the Town would Do on His Report. 1ly Chosen Maj<sup>r</sup>  
 Eleazer Craft Modarator 2ly Voted that the A Petition should be  
 sent to Court for an abatment on y<sup>e</sup> Last Tax 3ly Voted that the  
 Meeting should be adjourned to wensday the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of May  
 Next at six in the Morning and then Meet The Meeting opened  
 1ly Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> william Tuck Modarater 2ly Voted & Chosen  
 Maj<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft for a Representative 3ly Voted that the Meet-  
 ing that stood adjourned from the 10 of April To the 22 of May &  
 so on to the Twenty Ninth Day of May Respecting The Constable  
 Voted that Constable Jonathan Allen should Geather & Pay in





His Tax as soon as Posable he can & y<sup>e</sup> Meeting Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned and Assembled together on Tuesday the 13 Day of June at 2 a Clock in the afternoon to Consider what Meathod & Manner y<sup>e</sup> said Town would Come into To Procure seven men Called for by the Court to serve six Months Unless sooner Discharged. 1ly Chosen Maj<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft Modarator 2ly after a Long Debate & severall Votes being Past & then Maid Voyd, and of no Affect it was voted & Agreed upon that the Meeting should be adjourned to Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June at 3 a Clock in the afternoon at the Meeting House & According on the 19 Day as above they Meet to gather 1ly Voted to Give Twelve Pounds in addition to their wages in Hard Mony Sartan or if the Mediam is More puting the Towns To gather than our Solders [179] is to Receive as Much more as the Mediam amounts To Puting all the Towns To geather. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Warned & Assembled to geather on Monday the Twenty Sixth Day of June at 4 in the afternoon To Know the Minds of the Town what Meathod y<sup>e</sup> Select Men & Commeet should Procure the Men if any Can be Procured 1ly Chosen Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaac Lee Modarator 2ly Voted Not to Give more Bounty then the Towns Give In Genarall 3ly Voted to Give 120 Hard Dollars as a bounty to each solder that shall Enlist To serve for the Terme of six Months & No More. 4ly Concluded to Draft the Men Emediatly. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled Together on Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Day of July in order Rais Mony to Defray Town Charges & to Consider about M<sup>r</sup> Toppens Salury y<sup>e</sup> Present year 1ly Chosen John Allen Modarator 2ly Voted To Rais Four Thousand Pounds to Defray Town Charges 3ly Voted to. Make up M<sup>r</sup> Toppens Salury in Hard Mony what is Due. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned & Assembled Togeather on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Day of September in order to Chuse a Governer and Leu<sup>tt</sup>. Govener & Senetors & to see what the Town will Do Conserving The Mony Hiered for the support of the solders Famileys 1ly Chosen John Allen Modarator 2ly Voted to adjourn y<sup>e</sup> Business Conserving the Mony about the solders Famileys tell y<sup>e</sup> Day for Chosing Representative 3ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen & Commett should Meet together & make up an Accompt what Thomas Cheever should have out of y<sup>e</sup> Mony that the Town Gave Him as a solder for six months service and Did Not Tarry and The Remainder if he Refuseth to Pay back to Sue him Emediatly By The Treasurer 4ly Voted that the Selectmen should buy Glass & mend The Meet-

ing House Windows this fall 5ly Voted John Allen & Jonathan Brown for Tything Men y<sup>e</sup> Presant Year. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned & Assembled to geather on Monday the Ninth Day of October 1780 [180] In order to Rais the Beef to support The Army Agreable to the orders of the Court sent to this Town & to see what the Town would do Conserving Mr. Toppens Salury & Conserving the Mony hyerd by the Commeete to supply the solders Famileys 1ly Chosen Eleazer Craft Modartor 2ly Voted to Comply with the orders of the Court 3ly Voted to Rais Seven Thousand Pounds To Purches y<sup>e</sup> Beef 4ly Voted to Reconsider y<sup>e</sup> 3 Vote 5ly Voted Not to Comply with The Orders from the Court sent to this Town Let the Consequence Be what it will: John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Cap<sup>t</sup>. will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Aaron Lee Jonathan Brown Entred their Decent against the above Vote: the Persons that Voted against the Orders of Court was Jonathan Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. Stephen Allen John Edwards Isaac Lee Jacob Tewksbury & Samuell Bennet 6ly Voted to Chuse a Commette To Wate on Mr. Toppen 7ly Voted Cap<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck & Jonathan Brown should be the Commete to Wate on Mr. Toppen 8ly Voted that Mr. Toppen should Make his Report in wrighting to the Commeti & the Commett to Lay the same before the Town for Consideration the Next Meeting 9ly Voted to Chuse a Commette to Examen into the Notes that was Given By the Assessors & the Commette of Supplys & See what the Deprcation of the Notes are & Lay the same Before the Town at the Next Meeting. But the Meeting was Dissolved by Reason of a Dispute about the Beef as above. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled together on the Eighth Day of December 1780. To Chuse Juryman & Likewise to see what the Town will Do Conserving Mr. Toppen Salury—1ly Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. Modarater 2ly Voted that the Assessers should Assertain what has ben Paid Mr. Toppen for His Salury for 1779 & see How Many Ounces of Silver that would Pay or Purchas when Mr. Toppen Received the Mony & Mak up the Remainder In hard Mony so as to make Good His Covenanted Salury in 1779 3ly Voted to Give Mr. Toppen his Covenanted Salury in Hard Mony or Paper Mony at the Exchange in 1780 4ly Voted that the Assessors should Not Supply y<sup>e</sup> widow Perry no more Tell funder orders from y<sup>e</sup> Town 5ly Voted that the Assessors should Notify John Perry with the Vote of the Town & if he Dont take Care of his Mother then the Assessors should Carry her Down to him & their Leaf her. Att a







Town Meeting Leagully Warned & Assembled together on wensday 3<sup>d</sup> Day of January 1781 at Nine a Clock in y<sup>e</sup> Morning on Purpose of Raising 8 men for y<sup>e</sup> Contanantall Army for 3 years or During y<sup>e</sup> Ware & also to Rais Eight Thousand Six Hundred & 26<sup>lbs</sup> Beef or Mony to Purchas y<sup>e</sup> same 1ly Chosen William Tuck Modarator 2ly Voted to Chuse a Commette of 3 Men to Draft a Petisheon to send to the Gennerall Court Desiring y<sup>e</sup> Court to send a Commette Down to see y<sup>e</sup> Poverty of the Town 3ly Voted Cap<sup>t</sup>. William Tuck John Edwards Eleazer Craft & Aaron Lee should be y<sup>e</sup> Comette 4ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Town should Pay all y<sup>e</sup> Charges & Expences of the Commette & Sending y<sup>e</sup> Petishion to y<sup>e</sup> Court 5ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> above Commette should setle y<sup>e</sup> Accompts of the Town with y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer to see what Setuation the Town is In 6ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men should proceed & Git the Men as soon as Possable they Can 7ly Voted that the Select men Give Each Man y<sup>e</sup> Same Encouragment that other Towns Give & that Each Man Receive Twenty five Hard Dollars Earnist as a part of his Bounty 8ly Voted that the orders of Court Respecting y<sup>e</sup> Beef should be Put by Tell y<sup>e</sup> Next Meeting & then Taken up 9ly Voted that the Meeting should be Adjourned to 15 Day of the Month & then Meet & Adjournd Tell the 22 Day of [181] said month And then meet and Proceedeth as Followeth — 1ly Voted to Pay all the Nots with y<sup>e</sup> Deprcation when Paid Except M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodbury's Note & one of M<sup>r</sup>. Procters Note 2ly Voted M<sup>r</sup>. Woodbury to be Paid his Note the same as the above after Deducting out his Rates that was Due to M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Allen as Constable 3ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Proctor should Receive His Mony y<sup>e</sup> Nominal Sum. 4ly Voted that John Day receive His Mony the same as M<sup>r</sup>. Woodbury is Paid his Note 5ly Voted that Will<sup>m</sup> Allen should Collect all y<sup>e</sup> Remainder of his Tax agreeable as the Law Directs on the Deprcation scale & Settle with y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer fourth with & that The Treasurer Receive no Mony of the above Constables only at The Depration act 7ly Voted that Andrew Lee Setle y<sup>e</sup> same as the other Constable above Mentioned 8ly Voted to Rase Ten Thousand Pounds to Defray Town Charges 9ly Voted that the Commette should Pay y<sup>e</sup> Mony Received of the Court Into the Select Mens Hands to Pay the out Standing Nots Emediatly as far as the same will Pay 10ly Voted that the Meeting should be Adjournd To Wensday the 31 Day of this Enstant Janauary. And then on the 31 Day Enstant Meet To geather & 1ly Voted Presint Town Tax should be

Collected & Paid Into y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer By the 10 Day of March Next and then Second<sup>ly</sup> Voted that The Meeting should be Adjourned to Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Febury unless sooner wanted and on the 12 Day of Feb<sup>r</sup>. Meet To geather & the Meeting was Desolved.

Essex S<sup>tt</sup>. To M<sup>r</sup>. Samuell Bennet Constable of the Town of Manchester.—Greeting—In the Name of y<sup>e</sup> Common Wealth of Massachusetts You are Hereby Required fourth with to Notify & Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualifyed as the Law Directs to Vote in [182] Town affairs to Assemble Att the Meeting House in said Manchester on Monday the Fifth Day of March Next Ensuing att Eight a Clock in the Morning Then & their First to Chuse a Modarator For said Meeting Secondly to Make Choise of Wardens Town Clerk Select Men & Assessors Town Treasurer & Constable & a Commett of Suppys & to Chuse A Standing Grand Jury man for y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing & to Chuse all other Town Officers as the Law Diricts & to Agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall be thought Needfull. For the Releife of The Poor & Defraying all other Town Charges that shall or May Arise in said Town & to act upon any Other Business that Shall be Thought Needfull for the Bennifet of said Town att the Present Meeting Hereof Fail Not & Make Return of this warrant with your Doings theiron unto my selfe at or Before the Time of said Meeting—Given under my Hand & Seal the Fifteenth Day of Febuary AD 1781

By Order of the Select Men Aaron Lee Town Clerk  
N. B Agreeable to the above Warrant  
I have Notifyd & warnd the Inhabitance Manchester Feb. 15, 1781  
To Atted at the Time & Place within  
Menchend By Sam<sup>l</sup> Bennet Constable.

Att an Annuell Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to Geather on Monday 3<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1781 In order to Chuse Town officers For the year Ensuing & all other Business that shall Be Thought Needfull at y<sup>e</sup> Present Meeting. 1ly. Chosen Maj<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft Modarator 2ly. Voted to Abate unto William Allen Constable John Drivers Rates Frances Knight Daniel Morgan & Robert Perys Rates & No More. 3ly. Voted that William Allen Pay into the Treasurer y<sup>e</sup> Last of June 1778 [183] £2 8 to be appresheat to its Real Value in Silver & then to be Depresiated Down to the Present Exchange in Paper. 4ly. Voted that William Allen should pay £2. 8 into the Treasury in 1779 & to be Paid In as in y<sup>e</sup> 3 Vote





above 5ly. Voted to abate to Samuell Allen M<sup>rs</sup>. Trasks Rates &  
 No More 6ly. Chosen Aaron Lee Town Clerk 7ly. Voted Not to  
 Chuse Wardens 8ly. Chosen Aaron Lee Eleazer Craft & John  
 Allen Select Men 9ly. Chosen Capt<sup>r</sup>. John Stevens Constable &  
 Refused to take y<sup>e</sup> Oath 10ly. Chosen Eleazer Craft Town Treas-  
 urer 11ly. Chosen Jacob Hooper Eleazer Craft & Samuel Bennet  
 a Commett of Safty & Enspection 12ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Rist of  
 the Business should be Don by a Hand Vote 13 Chosen Jeffery  
 Goldsmith Grand Juryman 14ly. Voted to abate M<sup>r</sup>. Benja<sup>a</sup>. Obers  
 Rates to his sons Pole to Jacob Tewksbury in y<sup>e</sup> year 1775 & all  
 the Rest of the abatments to be Left with y<sup>e</sup> Assessors. And then  
 y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was adjournd to y<sup>e</sup> Ninth Day of March at 8 in the  
 Morning & then Meet. 1ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer shall not Re-  
 cieive of the Severall Constables any Mony that is Due on their Col-  
 lections only at y<sup>e</sup> Exchange when Paid Except Samuell Bennets  
 Collections that he has Received to Collect since the Last Day of  
 June 1780 2ly. Chosen Hog Reaves Benja<sup>a</sup>. Orsment Edward Lee  
 Benj<sup>s</sup> Craft John Knights Joseph Lee 3ly. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Hogs  
 should go at Large, well yoaked & Ringd 4ly Voted Surveyers of  
 Fences Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper & Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown 5ly Voted  
 Hayward, Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter Stephen<sup>s</sup> Danford Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper John<sup>s</sup> Al-  
 len & Benja<sup>a</sup>. Craft 6ly Chosen Tything men John<sup>s</sup> Knights & John  
 Baker 7ly Chosen for Sealer of Weights & Measures John<sup>s</sup> Chee-  
 ver 8ly Chosen Coarders of Wood Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown  
 Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper 9ly Chosen sealer of Leather John<sup>s</sup> Baker 10ly  
 Chosen Cullers of Hoops & Staves Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter John<sup>s</sup> Tewksbury  
 11ly Chosen Measurer & Marker of Boards & Timber John<sup>s</sup> Cheever  
 Jacob<sup>s</sup> Allen John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 12ly Chosen Pound Keeper Obed  
 Carter 13ly Chosen Clark of the Market Sam<sup>l</sup>. Foster & John  
 Baker<sup>s</sup> 14ly Chosen surveyers of Hy ways Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Brown  
 Benja<sup>a</sup>. Epes & Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Allen John<sup>s</sup> Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
 15ly Chosen Constable Frances Craft 16ly Voted to Reconsider  
 y<sup>e</sup> 5 Vote & that Samuel Allen should Pay into the Treasurer the  
 sum that y<sup>e</sup> select men abated to Him y<sup>e</sup> 29 of June 1780 17ly  
 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select Men should see what setuation y<sup>e</sup> Town is in  
 Respecting the Towns Debt & Lay The same before y<sup>e</sup> Town at

the Next Meeting & then the Meeting was adjourn'd to 19 Day of March & then Meet and Proseeded as Followeth Viz: 1ly Chosen Assessers Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck John<sup>s</sup> Cheever & Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft 2ly Voted that the Select men should settle the out standing Dets with the severall Persons that are Indeted to said Town & take their Notes for the Sums without Entrest 3ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer should Proceed according to Law with Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Stevens Respecting His fine if he Refuses to pay y<sup>e</sup> same 4ly Voted that the Treasurer should settle with Sam<sup>l</sup>. Allen for the Balance of His Collections with the Deprcation on y<sup>e</sup> same & sue for the same if he Refuses to settle y<sup>e</sup> same 5ly Voted To Give M<sup>r</sup>. Toppen His Covananted Salury & the Halling of His fire wood as in 1780. what was Granted the Last Tax 6ly Voted to Rais one Hundred & fifty Pounds to Defray Town Charges or Paper Mony Equal To that sum & then y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to Geather on Monday the Twenty six Day of March at Eight a Clock in the Morning To see what Meathod the Town will Come into to Procure the Men & to see if y<sup>e</sup> Town will sell Littlefields & Camps House & the Two Lots of Land Laying In shingle Place Hills Formerly Belonging to Sam<sup>l</sup>. Leach Desest. And to act on any other Business that shall Come before said Meeting 1ly Chosen Eleazer Craft Modarater 2ly Voted to Class the Town Into 3 Classes & No More 3ly Voted to sell y<sup>e</sup> 2 Lotes Menched in said Warrant at y<sup>e</sup> Hiest Bidder 4ly Voted to sell Littlefeilds [184] House at y<sup>e</sup> Hyest Bidder 5ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> select men should call on Camp for House Rent 6ly Voted to sell all y<sup>e</sup> Tim-ber that is Left that was Bought for y<sup>e</sup> Pest House & Call for the Pay for what has ben sold. 7ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer should Call in all the Mony belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Personage & the Town Except M<sup>r</sup>. Killams Bond. Att a Town Meeting Leaguly warnd & Assembled on Fryday 11<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1781 In order to see what Meathod the Town will come into Respecting The Beef for the Contanantal Army—Firstly Chosen Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft Modarator 2ly Voted to send a Letter to Esq<sup>r</sup>. Fellops of Andover to Let Him Know how the Case stands Betwen y<sup>e</sup> Town & the Court In Regard to Our Petishion 3ly Voted to send M<sup>r</sup>. John Edwards with the Letter: Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to geather on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1781 In order to Raise Mony to Hyer solders if any Can be Procured Firstly Chosen Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft Modarator 2ly Voted to Adjourn y<sup>e</sup> Meeting till Monday 23<sup>th</sup> Day of





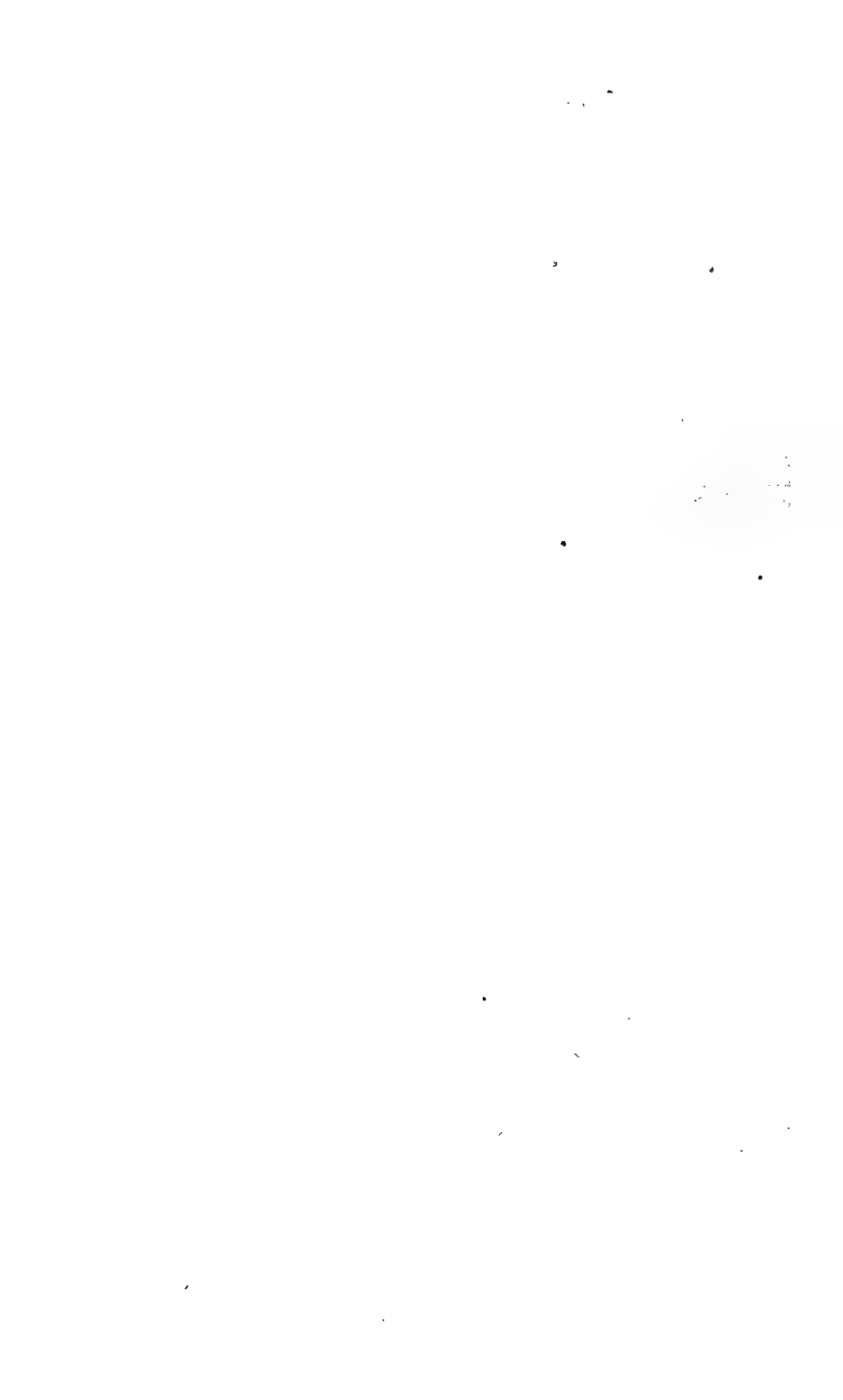


this Enstant July a four a Clock in the afternoon & Then Meet to Geather & Proceeded as Follows Viz Firstly Voted to Raise Eight Hundred Dollars to Hyer Solders with As Far as that sum would go. 2ly Voted that Capt. Benj<sup>a</sup>. Epes should Joyn with the Selectmen as one of the Commett to Hyer Solders 3ly Voted That the Assessers should assess the Town with Eight Hundred Hard Dollers That was Voted to be Raised, when the Assessors make the Next Contanantall Tax & the Meeting was Dissolved. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled to geather on Tusday 3<sup>d</sup> Day of October 1781 In Consequence of a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Osgood of Andover Respecting our Quota of Beef. Firstly Chosen Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft Modarator 2ly Voted to Empower y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen to Hyer £50. L Mony on the Towns Account To Pay for Part of y<sup>e</sup> Beef & Give Nots on the Town for the Payment of y<sup>e</sup> same 3ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Brown shall Receive y<sup>e</sup> Mony of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen & Carry the same to M<sup>r</sup>. [185] Orsgood and take a Precept for the same for Beef as far as that sum will Purchas. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to geather on Wensday 21<sup>th</sup> Day of November 1781 In Order to Consider the Orders of Court sent to y<sup>e</sup> Town for the fines for Not Furnishing our Quota of Men for Three Years or During the Ware 1ly Chosen Eleazar Craft Modarator 2ly Voted to Lay out 1000 Hard Dollers In Hyering Men for three years or During the War as far as that will go. 3ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Town will Endamnify the Assessors for Not Making y<sup>e</sup> Tax sent for from the Court 4ly Voted to send M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Tewksbury to Confer with Cona<sup>bl</sup>. Hutcherson about the Men & then the Meeting was Adjourned to Fryday 23<sup>th</sup> of November at 3 a Clock in the Afternoon & Then According Meet to geather. 1ly Voted that what was Don Respecting The Hyering Men at the Above Meeting & all that was voted at said Meeting to be Voyd and of No Affect. Att a Town Meeting Leagully Assembled to geather on Tusday 1<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1782 to see what the Town will do Conserving the four men That the Town is Defishant to make up their Quota as ordered by y<sup>e</sup> Court & to see if this Town will Petishion y<sup>e</sup> Court for Redress of Grevenes 1ly Chosen Jonath<sup>a</sup>. Brown Modarator 2ly Voted to Chuse a Commett to Prefer a Petishion to y<sup>e</sup> Court 3ly Voted M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Twksbury Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft & Aaron Lee should be the Commet to Draft a Petishion to send to y<sup>e</sup> Court 4ly Voted that Jacob Tewksbury should Carry the Petishion to y<sup>e</sup> Court 5ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Meeting should be Adjourned to 30<sup>th</sup> Day of Jan<sup>y</sup>. at 2 a Clock in the Afternoon. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd

& Assembled together on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Day of Feb<sup>y</sup>. 1782 to Here Mr. Jacob Tewksburys Report from the Court & the Abatment of y<sup>e</sup> Tax & the Abatment of the Four Men.

[186] 1ly Chosen Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck Modarator, 2ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Constable should Collect y<sup>e</sup> sum abated from y<sup>e</sup> Court to the Town in Silver or Paper at The Exchange & Pay it into the Town Treasurer in 15 Days from the Date above & the Exchange to be 3½ for one. 3ly Voted that the Tresurer Charge y<sup>e</sup> Constable with the abatment from the Court & order said Constable to Pay all the Balance after he has settled with y<sup>e</sup> State Treasurer into y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasurer as fast as he Collects y<sup>e</sup> same. 4ly, Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer should take y<sup>e</sup> Mony as soon as it is Collected & Pay of the Town Dets to them that wants it Most. 5ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Constable should Collect ⅓ of the Tax that was Maid for the Giting of Eight men that was Assessed agreeable to the orders of the Court 6ly Voted to Chuse a Commett of three men to Examen into the state of the Classes in hyring y<sup>e</sup> four men Capt. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck Con<sup>l</sup>. John Lee & Jacob Tewksbury to be y<sup>e</sup> Commett & the Commett to forme Notes to Each Endividuall for the sum advanced towards Hyering the four men. said Notes to be on Entrest & signed by the Treasurer 7ly Voted to Chuse a Commett to Examen the Selectmens Accompts before March Meeting y<sup>e</sup> Commett is Jacob Tewksbury Benjamin Epes & John Edwards, & then y<sup>e</sup> Meeting was Dissolved. Essex Sc<sup>tt</sup>. To Mr. Francis Craft Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Hereby Required fourth with to Notify & Warn all the free holders & other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualifyed as the Law Directs to Vote in Town Affairs to Assemble at the Meeting House In Manchester on Monday the Eleventh Day of March Next Ensuing Att Eight a Clock in the Morning then & their First to Chuse a Modarator For said Meeting Secondly to Chuse Town Clerk Select men & Assessors Town Treasurer & Constable & to Chuse a standing Grand Jury Man for the year Ensuing & to Chuse all other Town Officers as the Law Directs & to Agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall be thought Needfull for the Releife of the Poor & Defraying all other Town Charges that shall or May arise in said Town & to Act upon Any other Business that shall be Thought Needfull for the Releife of Said Town at the Present Meeting Hereof fail Not & Make Return of this warrant with your Doings





thereon unto mysele at or before the Time of said Meeting—Given under my Hand & seal this Nintenth Day of Febury Anno Domini 1782 & in the sixth Year of American Independance By Order of the Selectmen

Aaron Lee Town Clerke

Agreable To the Within I have Notified & warned the Inhabitance To Meet at the Place & Time within Menchoned

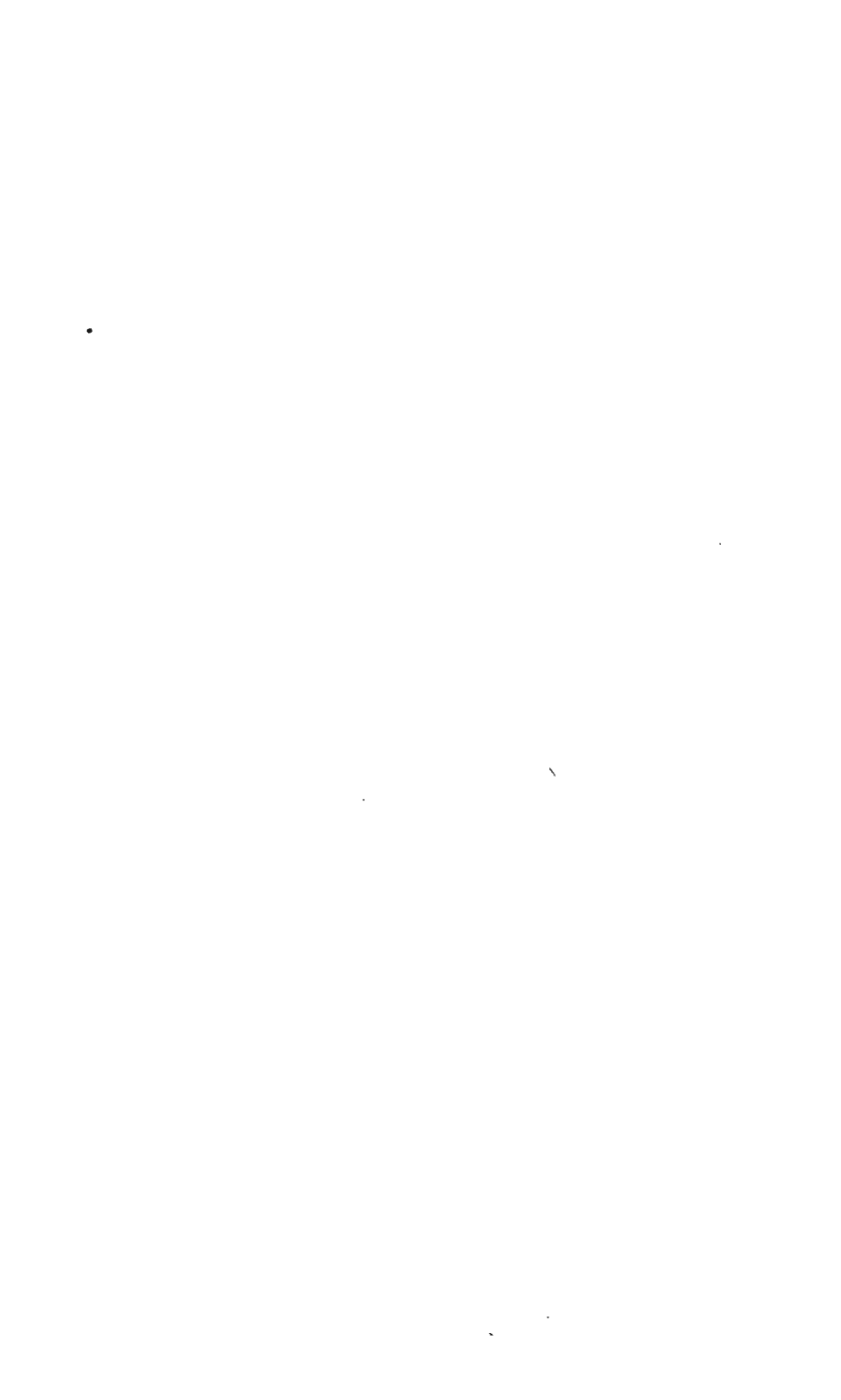
Frances Craft Constable

Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned & Assembled to Geather on Monday the 11 Day of March 1782—In Order to Chuse Town Officers For the year Ensuing and to act upon any Other Business that shall be Thought Needfull at the Present Meeting. 1ly Chosen Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft Modarater 2ly Voted to send for M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodbury & Capt. Samuel Foster & Benj<sup>a</sup>. Craft to Attend y<sup>e</sup> Meeting at Two Clock in the Afternoon 3ly Voted that ye Town should pay one Half The Charge that is Already Brought in Against the Wid<sup>w</sup>. Sarah Hill and Her Daughter & M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Allen to Pay the Remainder & all other Charges That is not Brought in against the Town for their sickness & suport of the Small Pox. 4ly After a Longe Debate Between the Town & M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Woodbury One of the Commett in 1775 it was Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Town had Treated y<sup>e</sup> Commett Ill by being Dissolved in the Manner they ware by the Town 5ly Voted That the Commette Treated the Town Ill by Not Complying [187] with the Vote of the Town as was Agreed to at the said Meeting in 1775 6ly Voted to Bury all Former Disputes that hath ben Between y<sup>e</sup> Town & y<sup>e</sup> Commette to this Day 7ly Chosen Aaron Lee Town Clerk 8ly Chosen Selectmen Isaac Proctor Jacob Tewksbury & Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft 9ly Chosen Eleaz<sup>r</sup>. Craft Town Treasurer 10ly & then the Meeting was Adjourned to Tusday the 12 Day at Eight a Clock in the Morning & then Meet & Proceeded as Followeth 1ly Voted that the Present Selectmen Chosen should be the Assessors the Presant year 2ly Chosen William Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. Constable & to Receive /6<sup>d</sup> Per Pound For his Collections the Town Excepted his Father will<sup>m</sup>. Allen sen<sup>r</sup>. In his Room as a Turn for his said son 3ly Chosen Hog Reaves Jacob Tewksbury Jonathan Brown Benj<sup>a</sup>. Orsment Benj. Epes Stephen Danford Will<sup>m</sup>. Hooper 4ly Voted that the Hogs should go at Large being Well yoaked & Ringed According to Law 5 Chosen Fence Vewers Eleaz<sup>r</sup> Craft, Jonathan Brown John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. & Benj<sup>a</sup>. Craft 6ly Chosen Haywards John Knights Joseph Lee

<sup>s</sup>Aaron Lee Benja<sup>s</sup>. Craft Jefferd Goldsmith 7ly Chosen Tything  
 Men John Tewksbury Joseph Lee 8ly Chosen Sealer of Leather  
 John Baker; 9ly Chosen Sealer of Weats & Measures John Cheever  
 10ly Chosen Coarders of wood Jeremiah Dow Jacob Hooper Jonathan Brown  
 11ly Chosen Cullers of Hoops & Staves Obed Carter  
 John Tewksbury 12ly Chosen Measurer & Markers of Boards &  
 Timber John Cheever Jacob Allen John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 13ly Chosen  
 Pound Keeper Obed Carter. 14ly Chosen Clerks of the Markets  
 Jacob Tewksbury John Baker 15ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> former Surveyers  
 in 1781 should Collect & Pay in their Balances fourthwith &  
 settle their surveyers ship to the Select men 16ly Chosen surveyers  
 of High [188] ways Jonathan Brown Benja<sup>s</sup>. Epes Aaron Lee  
 Jacob Hooper Jacob Tewksbury 17ly Chosen Grand Jury man  
 John Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. 18ly Voted to Give the Reverend Benja<sup>s</sup>. Toppen  
 Sixty Pounds the year Ensuing Encluding his Covananted Salury &  
 Cuting & Halling 12 Coards of wood 19ly Voted to Rais One Hundred  
 & Sixty Pounds the year Ensuing to Defray Town Charges  
 20ly Voted to Rase Twenty five Pounds to suport the High Ways &  
 the Tax to be Made by the Last years Tax bill 21ly Voted that  
 a Days Work should be 4 Shillings a Day for a man & a yoaok of  
 Oxen & Cart the same sum 22ly Voted that the surveyer should  
 worke out their Quota of the Mony by the Last Day of August  
 23,ly Voted that the Mater Between M<sup>r</sup> Edwards & M<sup>r</sup>. Brown  
 Respecting M<sup>r</sup>. Browns Mooving his fence should be Left to the  
 Selectmen to Informe themselves about said Land & if it should  
 prove to be The Towns Property they are to Conforme themselves  
 Accordingly 24,ly Voted that the Selectmen should order payment  
 to the Several Persons For Several Guns that Hath Not ben  
 Paid 25,ly Voted that the Treasurer should Execute the Precept  
 Agreeable to the Resolve of Court Respecting y<sup>e</sup> Guns. 26,ly  
 Voted that Aaron Lee should pay the same for the Rent of his  
 Ware House the same as he formerly Gave. 27ly Voted to abate  
 to Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Tuck Thirteen shillings of his Last years Rent.  
 28ly Voted to Reconsider the 16 Vote Pased at March Meeting 1781  
 Respecting Samuel Allens Collections of Taxes that was Ordered  
 for him to Pay & the Meeting was Dissolved.

Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled to Geather







on Monday y<sup>e</sup> Twenty Seventh Day of May 1782 Respecting y<sup>e</sup> Solders & the Tax that was sent to from the Court. viz 1ly Chosen Modarater Jonathan Brown 2ly Voted Sam<sup>ll</sup>. Foster & Elez<sup>r</sup>. Craft be a Commett to see if the Two men that was Engaged for the service would Releas ther Engagments the Answer Returnd Yes 3ly Voted to Send a Petishion to y<sup>e</sup> Court for an abatment of our Taxes 4ly Voted that the Meeting should be Adjourn'd to Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June at 3 a clock in the afternoon & then Meet & Adjourn'd the Meeting to Monday the 10 Day of June at 3 Clock In the afternoon & then meet & Proceeded as Followeth Vize 1ly Voted that the Treasurer should Proceed Agreeable to Law & Settle all the Dets Due to the Town that Remains unsettled 2ly Voted that the Treasurer should Draw out of the Treasurer as much Mony as will suport the Charges of Recovering the unsettled Accompts. 3ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Craft should Have sum Person to Assesst in Enquiring Into the state of Affairs Respecting M<sup>rs</sup>. Trask Dets & others 4ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup>. Will<sup>m</sup>. Tuck should be the Person to Assist M<sup>r</sup>. Craft Agreeable to the first Vote 5ly Voted That the Meeting should be Adjourn'd. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled togeather on the Twenty sixth Day of August at 6 a Clock in the Morning 1782 To Consider on a Pertishion of a Number of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitance to the Select men & Assessors Conserving the New Moddeled Tax Lastly Maid in the Town 1782 1ly Chosen Modarator Jonathan Brown. 2ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Assessors should Lay the Tax Bill Before the Town Meeting 3ly Voted That the Selectmen ajust the Last Estemate and make such abatment on each Individual which may have been over Taxed by said Estemate and Give a List of Abatments to the Constable [189] togeather with a Receipt signed by The Seléctmen for so much Mony Received of each person which sum shall be Discounted out of the Next Tax as so much Mony advanced. Att a Town Meeting Leagully warned & Assembled To geather on Monday The Ninth Day of Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1782 In Order to Chuse Two Wardens Agreeable to the Orders of the Court. And for the Town to take Into Consideration the Matter Respecting the three months men & the five Months men that hath ben sent for From by the Court from this Town and hath Not ben Complyd with And to act on the Matter as the Town shall think Best Viz 1ly Chosen Moderater Maj<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft 2ly Chosen for Wardens M<sup>r</sup>. Ezekiel Allen & M<sup>r</sup>. William Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>. & then Dissolved Att a Town Meet-

ing Leagully Assembled To Geather on Tusday 31<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1782 In order to see what Meathod y<sup>e</sup> Town would Come Into Concerning the Removal of the Sevaral Courts Agreeable to a Letter sent from the Select men of Salem 1ly Chosen M<sup>r</sup>. Eleazer Craft Modarator 2ly Voted Eonanimously Not to Remove Said Courts & to send an Answer Back to the Selectmen of Salem.

Essex Sc<sup>tt</sup>. To M<sup>r</sup>. William Allen Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting. In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You are Hereby Required Fourthwith to Notify & warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualifyd as the Law Directs To Vote in Town Affairs to Assemble at the Meeting House in Manchester On Monday the third Day of March Next at Eight a Clock in the Morning then & Their Firstly to Chuse [190] a Moderater for the Meeting Secondly To Chuse Wardens, Town Clerk, Selectmen & Assessers Town Treasurer Constable & to Chuse a Standing Grand Juryman for the year Ensuing & to Chuse all other town Officers as the Law Directs and to Agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall be Thought Needfull for the Relife of the Poor & Defraying all Other Town Charges that shall or may arise in the town & to Act upon any Other Business that shall be thought Needfull for the Releife Of the town at the Present Meeting. Hereof fail not & make Return of this warrant with your Doings Hereon unto my selfe at or before The time of said Meeting—Given under my Hand And seal The Eleventh Day of Febuary Domini 1783—And in the Seventh Year of Americas Independance.

By Order of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen

Agreeable to the above Warrant I have      Aaron Lee Town Clerk  
Notifyd the Inhabitance to attend At the  
time & Place within Menched      William Allen Constable.

Att an Annuell Town Meeting Leagully warned & Assembled to geather On Monday the third Day of March 1783 In order to Chuse Town officer For the year Ensuing & to Act on any other Businiss that shall be thought Needfull at the Present Meeting. 1ly Chosen Modarator Capt. John Allen 2ly Wardens Joseph Hasham & Edward<sup>s</sup> Kitfield 3ly Chosen Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Town Clerk 4ly Chosen Assessors Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft & Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft 5ly Chosen Constable Jefferd Goldsmith And the Town Excepted of M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Tewksbury to serve as a Turn for M<sup>r</sup>. Goldsmith, the Town





Paying Back the fine that He Paid in 1778 at the Value By the  
 scall 6ly Voted that the Meeting should be Adjonded to Tusday  
 4<sup>th</sup> Day of March at 8 a Clock in the Morning & then Meet ac-  
 cordingly 7ly Voted to Chuse a Commette to Examen into the  
 Town Accompts. & settle them 8ly Chosen John Lee Esq<sup>r</sup>. &  
 Cap<sup>t</sup>. Joseph Leach for y<sup>e</sup> Commett 9ly Chosen Town Treasurer  
 Eleazer Craft<sup>s</sup> 10ly Voted Hoge Reaves Benj.<sup>s</sup> Orsment Benj.<sup>s</sup> Ober  
 Sen<sup>r</sup>. Obed Carter William Allen Edward<sup>s</sup> Lee Nath<sup>l</sup>. Potter Jacob  
 Tweeksburys<sup>s</sup> 11ly Voted that the swine should go at Large well  
 Yoaked & Ringed 12ly Voted Haywards Stephen Danford Aaron  
 Lee Benja<sup>a</sup>. Craft Joseph Lee 13ly Voted Surveyer of Fences Benj.  
 Ober s<sup>n</sup>. Dec<sup>n</sup>. John Allen Jacob Tewsburys<sup>s</sup> Jacob Hooper 14ly  
 Voted Tything men William<sup>s</sup> Allen J<sup>n</sup>. Malachia Allen Joseph Lee  
 15ly Voted Sealer of Weights & Measurers John<sup>s</sup> Cheever 16ly  
 Voted Coarders of wood Jeremiah Dow Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft Jacob Hooper  
 Benja<sup>a</sup>. Craft 17ly Voted Sealer of Leather John Baker 18ly Chosen  
 surveyers of Hoops and Staves & shingles Joseph Hasham & Obed  
 Carter<sup>s</sup> 19ly Chosen Measurer & Marker of Boards & Timber John  
 Knights John<sup>s</sup> Cheever Jacob<sup>s</sup> Allen. 20ly Chosen Pound Keeper  
 Solomon Lee s<sup>n</sup> 21ly Chosen surveyers of high ways Stephen  
 Danford Frances Craft John<sup>s</sup> Allen J<sup>r</sup>. Benj.<sup>s</sup> Ober sen<sup>t</sup>. Jacob  
 Hooper<sup>s</sup> 22ly Voted that Each Surveyor should be a Collector of  
 his Tax In his own Ward 23ly Voted M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Tewsburys Con-  
 stable. 24ly Voted that William Allen should Receive his fine that  
 was Paid in 1780 Agreeable to the scale 25ly Voted that the Se-  
 lect men this Day Chosen should be the Assessors y<sup>e</sup> year Ensuing  
 26ly Voted to Give The Rev<sup>d</sup>. Benja<sup>a</sup>. Toppen for his Covenanted  
 [191] Salury Encluding his fire wood Cuting & Halling the same  
 Seventy Pounds. 27ly Voted to Raise Two Hundred & Seventy  
 Pounds to Defray town Charges the year Ensuing 28ly Voted to  
 Raise Thirty Pounds to surport the Highway 29ly Voted That the  
 Highway Tax should be maid in the same Meathod as it was in  
 The Year 1782 30ly Voted that the Treasurer should take up all  
 the Paper mony Notes & Consoladate them & Give hard mony  
 Notes in their Place to Each Person 31ly Voted to Rase Forty

five Pounds for a free school the Present year 32ly Voted that the Selectmen should be a Commett to perfer a Petishion to the Court for a Redress of Grevences 33ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Allen should Answer to the Court in behalfe of the Town for a Sitation sent from the Court Conserving a school. 34ly Chosen Clerks of the Market Benja<sup>r</sup>. Ober s<sup>n</sup>. John Baker & John Allen 35ly Voted to Except of what the Commett had don Respecting the Towns Dets.

Essex S<sup>tt</sup>. To M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Tewkesbury Constable of the Town of Manchester—Greeting—In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are Hereby Required fourthwith to Notify & warn all the Freeholders And other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualifyd as the Law Dericts To Vote in Town Affairs to Assemble at the Meeting House in Manchester on Monday the Eight Day of this Enstant March at Eight a Clock in the Morning: Then & their Firstly to Chuse a Modarator for said Meeting: Secondly to Chuse Wardens Town Clerk Selectmen & Assessors Town Treasurer Constable & to Chuse a Standing Grand Jury men for the Year Ensuing & to Chuse all other Town officers That the Law Dericts & to Agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall be Thought Needfull for the Releafe of the poor And Defraying [192] all Other Town Charges that shall or may Arise in The Town & to Act upon any Other Business that shall be Thought Needfull for the Benifet of the Town at the Present Meeting Hereof Fail not & make Return of this Warrant with your Doings Thereon unto My selfe at or before the Time of said Meeting: Given under my Hand And seal the Twenty first Day of Febuery A Domini 1784 and in the Eight Year of Amaricen Enderpendance By Order of the Selectmen Aaron Lee Town Clerk.

Agreable the Within Warrant I have Notifyd & warnd the Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester to Attend at the Time & Place within Menched Jacob Tewksbury Constable.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholder and Other Inhabitance of The Town of Manchester Leagully warnd & Meet to geather on Monday the Eight Day of March A Domini 1784 Was Chosen as Followeth Viz: 1ly Chosen Eleazor Craft Modarator for said Meeting 2ly Chosen John<sup>s</sup> Knights & Jefferd<sup>s</sup> Goldsmith Wardens 3ly Chosen Town Clerk Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee. 4ly Chosen Selectmen Eleazor<sup>s</sup> Craft Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee & Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft. 5ly Chosen Town Treasurer Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft 6ly Chosen Constable Isaac Lee & Hyerd<sup>s</sup> Obed Carter to







Serve in his Place 7ly Voted to Do the Rest of the Business by a hand vote 8ly Voted to abate M<sup>rs</sup>. Cheevers Tax to Wiljam Allen Provided M<sup>rs</sup>. Cheever Will Let the Selectmen put out her Lands to the Best advantage. 9ly Voted to abate to William Allen Eze-  
 kiel Cheevers Tax. 10ly Voted to Except of M<sup>r</sup>. Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter for a Constable in the Room of Isaac Lee. 11ly Voted that the Con-  
 stable should have six pence p<sup>r</sup>. Pound for all The mony he shall Collect & Pay into the Treasurer & no More. 12ly Voted that M<sup>r</sup>. Tewksbury should have six pence p<sup>r</sup>. Pound that He shall Col-  
 lect & Pay into the Treasurer & No More. 13ly Voted that Cap<sup>t</sup>. Isaac Lee should have his fine that he Paid in Paper Mony Returnd  
 back Agreeable to the scale. 14ly Chosen Hoge Reaves Benj. Epes<sup>s</sup>  
 Joseph Leach Benj Orsment Andrew Allen Stephen Danford Jefferd<sup>s</sup>  
 Goldsmith 15ly Voted that the Swine should go at Large being  
 Yoaked & Ringd. 16ly Chosen Hawyards Stephen Danford Joseph<sup>s</sup>  
 Lee Moses<sup>s</sup> May Nehemiah<sup>s</sup> Knowlton Andrew<sup>s</sup> Allen 17ly Chosen  
 Surveyers of Fences Stephen<sup>s</sup> Allen Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Epes  
 William Stone. 18ly Chosen Tything men Stephen Danford El-  
 nathan<sup>s</sup> Witney 19ly Chosen Coarders & Sealers of Wood Jeremiah<sup>s</sup>  
 Dow Jacob Hooper Benj. Craft Eleazer Craft. 20ly Chosen Sealer  
 of Weights & Measurers John<sup>s</sup> Cheever 21ly Chosen Sealer of  
 Leather John<sup>s</sup> Baker. 22ly Chosen Surveyers of Hoops Staves &  
 Shingles Obed Carter Joseph<sup>s</sup> Harsham 23ly Chosen Measurer &  
 Marker of Boards & Timber John<sup>s</sup> Cheeyer John<sup>s</sup> Knigts 24ly  
 Chosen Meater or Measurer of Grane Ezekeil<sup>s</sup> Allen Benj. Craft.  
 25ly Chosen Pound Keeper Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter. 26ly Chosen Cullers of  
 Fish Co<sup>ll</sup>. John<sup>s</sup> Lee Andrew Woodbury Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee 27ly Chosen  
 Clarks of the Market Benj. Epes Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft. 28ly Chosen Sur-  
 veyers of Hig ways Ezekeil<sup>s</sup> Allen Jacob Allen Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Nath<sup>ll</sup>.  
 Potter Benj<sup>n</sup> Epes John Edwards 29ly Voted that Each Surveyer  
 shall be a Collector in his own Ward. 30ly Voted that Each Sur-  
 veyer should worke out his Tax by the Last Day of August 31ly  
 Voted that the Selectmen this Day Chosen should be y<sup>e</sup> Assessors.  
 32ly Voted to Rais Forty [193] Pounds to Defray the Charge of

the Highways Encluding the Rerages that shall be found Due on the Last Warrants. 33ly Voted that the Highways Tax should be maid by the Last years Warrant 34ly Voted to Give the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Benja<sup>a</sup>. Toppen Seventy Pounds Encluding his Covent Saluery The Cuting and Halling his fire Wood. 35ly Voted that a Man should have Three Shillings pr Day and a Good Yoak Oxen & Cart the same sum on the High ways. 36ly Voted To Rase Two Hundred & Fifty Pounds to Defray Town Charges. 37ly Voted to Rase Forty Pounds for a Gramer School. 38ly Voted that the Treasurer should Give Constable Sam<sup>l</sup> Bennet 14 Days To Settle his Accompt. of his Collections & if Not Settled & Paid by that Time to Issue his Execution fourthwith. And then the Meeting was Adjourned to Fryday the Twelveth Day of March at 2 a Clock in the afternoon & then Meet & Proceeded as follows 1ly Voted that all the Arerages that shall be found Due on the Severall List That are not worked out on the hyway warrants for time Past shall be Called upon by the Present Surveyers & if not worked out by the Last Day of Aug<sup>t</sup> 1784 Then the Balance shall be aded to their Next Town Tax & be Collected by the Collector of the Town Taxes. Essex S<sup>tt</sup> To M<sup>r</sup>. Obed Carter Constable of the Town of Manchester. Greeting. In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. You Are hereby Required fourthwith to Notify & Warn all the Freeholders & Other Inhabitance of the Town of Manchester Qualifyd as the Law Directs To Vote upon Town affairs: to Assemble at the Meeting house in said Manchester on Monday the Fourteenth Day of March Next at Eight a Clock in the Morning: Then & Their: Firstly to Chuse a Modarator [194] for said Meeting: Secondly to Chuse Wardens: Town Clerk Selectmen & Assessers Town Treasurer: Constables & to Chuse a Standing Grand Jury man for the Year Ensuing: & to Chuse all other Town Officers that the Law Requirs & To agree upon Granting such sum or sums of Mony as shall be Thought Needfull for the Release of the Poor and Defraying all other Town Charges That shall or may Arise in the Town And to see if the Town will Grant Liberty for M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Knowlton to set a blacksmith shop on the Towns Land he Paying the value Yearly & Likewise to see if the Town will buld a School House the Present year: and to act upon any Other Business that shall be Thought Needfull for the Benefit of the Town at this Present meeting Hereof fail Not & make Return of this Warrant with your Doings theiron Unto myselfe at or before the Time of





said Meeting: Given under my Hands & seal this Twenty fifth Day of February 1785— and in the Ninth of the Independance of America

By order of the Select men  
 Agreeable to the Within I have Notifyd Aaron Lee T. Clerk  
 the Inhabitance to Attend at The Place & Time  
 within Mentioned Obed Carter Constable

Att a Town Meeting Leaguallly warned and Assembled to geath-  
 er on Monday Fourteenth Day of March 1785 In Order to Chuse  
 Town Officers for the year Ensuing and to Transact any other  
 Business that shall Come before the Town at the Present Meeting  
 —1ly Chosen Modarater Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaac Lee 2ly Chosen Wardens  
 Hennary<sup>s</sup> Story & Joseph<sup>s</sup> Leach 3ly Chosen Town Clerk Aaron<sup>s</sup>  
 Lee 4ly Chosen Select men Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Eleaz<sup>r</sup> Craft Cap<sup>t</sup> Isaac<sup>s</sup>  
 Lee 5ly Chosen Town Treasurer Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft 6ly Chosen Con-  
 stable John Baker & lhyerd Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter to serve 7ly Chosen  
 Grand Jury man Nath<sup>l</sup> Potter 8ly Chosen hedg Rever Benj<sup>m</sup> Os-  
 ment<sup>s</sup> Henry<sup>s</sup> Story Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow sen<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Forster Moses<sup>s</sup> May  
 Nath<sup>l</sup> Potter Isaac<sup>s</sup> Lee William<sup>s</sup> Allen Sen<sup>r</sup> 9ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup>  
 swine should go at Large being Yoaked & Ringed according to  
 Law—10ly Chosen Hay wards Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter Jefferd<sup>s</sup>  
 Goldsmith Israil<sup>s</sup> May John<sup>s</sup> Knights Stephen<sup>s</sup> Danford. 11ly Cho-  
 sen Surveyers of Fences Benj<sup>n</sup> Ober Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewks-  
 bury John<sup>s</sup> Knights Frances<sup>s</sup> Craft—12ly Chosen Tything Men Eze-  
 kiel<sup>s</sup> Allen Moses<sup>s</sup> May—13ly Choosen Coarders of wood Eleaz<sup>r</sup>  
 Craft Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Dow Jacob<sup>s</sup> Hooper Benj<sup>n</sup> Craft—14ly Chosen sealer  
 of Weights & Measurs John<sup>s</sup> Cheever: 15ly Chosen Sealer of  
 Leather John<sup>s</sup> Baker Ezekeil<sup>s</sup> Allen—16ly Chosen surveyers of  
 Hoops Staves shingles Obed<sup>s</sup> Carter Joseph<sup>s</sup> Hasham. 17ly Chosen  
 Measurers & Markers of Boards & Timber Ebenezer<sup>s</sup> Baker John<sup>s</sup>  
 Cheever Will<sup>m</sup> Stone—18ly Chosen Measurers & Meeters of Grane  
 Eleazer<sup>s</sup> Craft Ezekiel<sup>s</sup> Allen—19ly Chosen Pound Keeper Obed Car-  
 ter 20ly Chosen Cullers of fish Co<sup>ll</sup> John<sup>s</sup> Lee Aaron<sup>s</sup> Lee Sam<sup>l</sup> Fos-  
 ter Jacob<sup>s</sup> Tewksbury—21ly Chosen Clarks of y<sup>e</sup> Market Elnathan

<sup>s</sup>Witney Cap<sup>t</sup> Joseph <sup>s</sup>Leach Benj<sup>n</sup> <sup>s</sup>Ober s<sup>n</sup>—22ly Chosen Surveyers  
 of highways Eleazer Craft Benj<sup>n</sup> <sup>s</sup>Craft Stephen <sup>s</sup>Danford Jacob  
<sup>s</sup>Hooper Will<sup>m</sup> <sup>s</sup>Allen John Procter 23ly Voated that each Survey-  
 er shall be a Collector of his own Lest & that Each surveyer shall  
 worke out his Tax By the Last Day of Aug<sup>t</sup> Next and if Not  
 worked out by that Time The surveyers [195] to be accountable for  
 all y<sup>e</sup> Mony that he Does Not Collect & worke out & Pay in by  
 that Time—24ly Voted that Each Man shall have three shillings pr  
 Day & a Good Yoak of Oxen & Cart the same sune—25ly Voated  
 that M<sup>r</sup> Epes should be alowed his Charge against the high Ways  
 —26ly Voated that the high way Tax shall be Maid by The Last  
 years Estamate—27ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men this Day Chosen  
 shall be the Assessors to assess the Town the Present year—28ly  
 Voted That Obed Carter shall be a surveyer of the saw mill Brige  
 to take up the stone worke & make a wooden Bridge. 29ly Voted  
 to Rais Forty six Pounds to Defray the Charges on the high ways  
 —30ly Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Tappan this Covananted Salary—31ly  
 Voted to Give M<sup>r</sup> Toppan Twenty Pounds Thirteen shilling & /4<sup>d</sup>  
 as a Gift Encluding the Cuting & Halling His fire wood—32ly  
 Voted to Rase Two Hundred & fifty Pounds to Defray Town Charg-  
 es the Present year—33ly Voted to Build a school house In the  
 Town such as the Town shall agree upon—34ly Voted that the  
 school hous shall be bult 21 feet wide & 26 feet Longe with a up-  
 right Chamber—35ly Voted that the Selectmen shall be a Commett  
 to se that y<sup>e</sup> school house is Bult on the same place ware the old  
 school hous Now Stands. 36ly Voted To Rase Forty Pounds for  
 support of a Grammer School 37ly Voted To Rase Fifty Pounds  
 to buld a school house 38ly Voted that Kittle cove shall have their  
 Preportion of the school if y<sup>e</sup> school is Continued tell the Mony is  
 spent if the school is Dropt Kittlecove is to Receive  $\frac{3}{4}$  of their  
 mony that is spent on the school—39ly Voted that the Treasurer  
 shall sue The Wid<sup>w</sup> Hannah Morse for the [196] Mony that is  
 Due to the Town from her Late Husband in his Last sickness—  
 40ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Meeting should Be Adjorned to Monday 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Day of this Enstant March at 6 a Clock In the Afternoon to the  
 House of M<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Craft Inholder in Manch<sup>r</sup> And then Meet to  
 geather and proceded as Followeth—Viz 1ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select  
 men should sell the Towns House that the wid<sup>w</sup> Littlefield formerly  
 Lived in to the Best Advantage 2ly Voted that the Select men







should Call upon Benj<sup>a</sup> Craft for the Towns Mony Lying in his hands to pay the same into the Town by the fall of the year Ensuing—3ly Voted to Reconsider the 34 Vote Past at meeting Concerning the school house 4ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> School House should be Bult 30 feet Longe & 22 feet wide one Story High with a sharp Rufe. 5ly Voted to Rase Mony to buye a bell of about 300<sup>pd.</sup> Weight. 6ly Voted to Rase 30 Pounds to buye a bell 7ly Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Select men should be a Commett to buy sd Bell 8ly Voted that the Selectmen should be a Commett to Lay out the Mony that was Raised for a Gramer school wen the House is finished fit to Keep a school theirin—9ly Voted the Thanks of y<sup>e</sup> Town to that Gentelman who has offerd to Give the Town a Cow for the Bennefit of y<sup>e</sup> Poor: and said Cow to be under the Care of The Overseers of the poor to Keep her from year to year. 10ly Voted to abate M<sup>r</sup> Dow in his Taxes what the Chamber Will Rent for and a small mattere what he has found His Daughter. 11ly Voted to Chuse a Commett to seat the Meeting House Nathanel Potter Ezekeil Allen Co<sup>ll</sup> John Lee Joseph Leach Frances Craft Aaron Lee Isaac Lee Eleazer Craft Henry Story Ezekeil Leach Abial Burges Jefferd Goldsmith Elnathan Witney John Procter Obed Carter—12ly Voted said Commett should meet Thursday at 8 a Clock In the Morning to the house of Eleazer Crafts for the purpos above mentend.

Att a Town Meeting Leagully warnd & Assembled to geather on The Sixth Day of October 1785 In Order to see if the Town will Grant Leberty to Nath<sup>l</sup> Hovey to set a black smith shop on the Towns Land he Paying y<sup>e</sup> Rent Yearly.

1ly Chosen Modarator Frances Craft. 2ly Voted that Nath<sup>l</sup> Hovey should set a black smith shop on The Towns Land Near the Mill Bridge for Ten Years he paying yearly for the Rent fifteen shillings.

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The Town of Manchester's Town, Ministers School and County Tax for the year one Thousand seven hundred & sixty nine.

| Men's Names                     | Polls | Real Estate | Personal Estate | Sum Total |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| John Lee Esq <sup>r</sup> .     | 14/9  | 1 7         | 8 11 8          | 10 13 5   |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Jereme Lee |       |             |                 |           |
| Esq <sup>r</sup> .              |       |             | 1 4 1           | 1 4 1     |
| Lieu <sup>t</sup> . Thomas Lee  | 7/4½  | 1 0 9       | 15 6            | 2 3 7½    |
| Samuel Allen Sen <sup>r</sup> . |       | 4 4¼        | 3 1½            | 7 5¾      |

| Men's Names                        | Polls  | Real Estate | Personal Estate | Sum Total. |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|------------|
| Jeremiah Allen                     | 7/4½   | 6 1¼        | 6 0             | 19 5¾      |
| Elisha Allen                       | 14/9   | 2 9         | 1 9             | 19 3       |
| Jonathan Allen sen <sup>r</sup>    | 14/9   | 8 3¼        | 7 5¼            | 1 11 2     |
| Jacob Allen                        | 29/6   | 10 10       | 8 11            | 2 9 3      |
| Deacon John Allen                  | 29/6   | 18 0        | 14 0            | 3 1 0      |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Abigail Leach |        | 4 4¼        |                 | 4 4¼       |
| Samuel Allen Jun <sup>r</sup>      | 29/6   | 9 0         | 16 1            | 2 14 7     |
| William Allen                      | 29/6   | 3 2½        | 8 1             | 2 0 9½     |
| Josiah Allen                       | 14/9   | 2 9         | 1 9             | 19 3       |
| Bartholemew Allen                  | 14/9   | 1 10        | 1 9             | 18 9       |
| Malachi Allen                      | 14/9   | 2 9         | 1 9             | 19 3       |
| Jonathan Allen Jun <sup>r</sup>    | 14/9   | 3 2½        | 4 2             | 1 2 1½     |
| Azariah Allen                      | 14/9   | 2 9         | 3 1½            | 1 0 7½     |
| Wid <sup>w</sup> . Mary Allen      |        | 2 3½        | 6½              | 2 10       |
| Stephen Allen                      | 29/6   | 18 11       | 1 0 6¼          | 3 11 8¼    |
| Andrew Allen                       | 14/9   | 2 5½        | 1 9             | 18 11½     |
| Ambrose Allen                      | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| John Allen Jun <sup>r</sup>        | 29/6   | 11          |                 | 1 10 5     |
| James Allen                        | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Jacob Allen Jun <sup>r</sup>       | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Simeon Allen                       | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Peter Ayres                        | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Jacob Ayres                        | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Jeremiah Andros                    | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| William Badcock                    | 44/3   | 8 2         | 10 8            | 3 3 1      |
| Aaron Bennett                      | 36/10½ | 9 11        | 7 0             | 2 13 9½    |
| Benjamin Bennett                   | 14/9   | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Moses Bennett                      | 14/9   | 2 2½        |                 | 16 11½     |
| Samuel Bennett                     | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Mary Bare                          |        | 1 10        | 1 9             | 3 7        |
| Samuel Bare                        | 14/9   | 2 0¾        | 1 4½            | 18 2¼      |
| Caleb Balch of Beverly             |        | 4 5         |                 | 4 5        |
| Verring Blyth                      | 14/9   |             | 11              | 15 8       |
| Caleb Bartlet                      | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| John Bailey                        | 14/9   | 1 2½        | 1 10            | 17 9½      |
| Jonathan Brown                     | 14/9   | 2 7         | 5 5             | 1 2 9      |
| James Brown                        | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| John Baker                         | 14/9   |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Samuel Carter                      | 29/6   | 11 11¼      | 11 3½           | 2 12 8¾    |
| Obed Carter                        | 44/3   | 2 9         | 5 8             | 2 12 8     |





| Men's Names  | Polls             | Real Estate        | Personal Estate   | Sum Total.           |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Ames Cheever   | 14/9              | 3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  |                   | 17 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Wid <sup>w</sup> . Sarah Cheever                       |                   | 2 9                | 7 2               | 9 11                 |
| Thomas Cheever   | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| John Cheever   | 29/6              | 9 11               | 8 2               | 2 7 7                |
| Ezekiel Cheever  | 14/9              | 5 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 4 6               | 1 4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Benjamin Craft   | 14/9              | 2 9                | 2 8               | 1 0 2                |
| Francis Craft  | 14/9              | 2 6 $\frac{1}{4}$  | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 18 7 $\frac{3}{4}$   |
| Eleazer Craft  | 14/9              | 2 9                | 11 8              | 1 9 2                |
| Benjamin Clark   | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| George Cross Sen <sup>r</sup> .                        | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| Margarett Crowell                                      | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| George Cross Jun <sup>r</sup> .                        | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| Samuel Clark   | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| Thomas Colony  | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| John Carter  | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| Richard Day  | 7/4 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 4 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  | 3 7               | 15 1 $\frac{3}{4}$   |
| Joseph Day   |                   | 1 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  | 1 9               | 3 4 $\frac{1}{4}$    |
| Solomon Day  | 14/9              | 1 10               | 1 9               | 18 4                 |
| Hannah Driver  | 14/9              | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 1 09              | 17 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Solomon Driver   | 14/9              | 1 10               | 1 9               | 18 4                 |
| John Driver  | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| Moses Dodge  | 14/9              | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 2 8               | 18 9 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| Jesse Dodge  | 14/9              | 11                 | 1 9               | 17 5                 |
| Stephen Danford  | 14/9              | 3 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 4 9               | 1 2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Anna Day   | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| Jeremiah Dow   | 29/6              | 1 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 3 7               | 1 14 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| John Edwards Sen <sup>r</sup> .                        | 14/9              | 10 10              | 9 8               | 1 15 3               |
| Daniel Edwards   | 14/9              | 16 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 3 19 11           | 5 11 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Isaac Smith<br>Esq <sup>r</sup> . |                   |                    | 12 1              | 12 1                 |
| John Edwards Jun <sup>r</sup> .                        | 14/9              | 5 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 2 6             | 2 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Cap <sup>t</sup> . Derby          |                   |                    | 12 1              | 12 1                 |
| Samuel Edwards   | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| John Easty   | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |
| Benjamin Easty   | 14/9              | 11                 |                   | 15 8                 |
| John Easkoot   | 14/9              | 11                 | 1 9               | 17 5                 |
| Wid <sup>w</sup> . Ann Forster                         |                   | 11                 | 10 10             | 11 9                 |
| Samuel Forster   | 29/6              | 5 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 6 1             | 3 1 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Josiah Fairfield Esq <sup>r</sup> .                    | 14/9              |                    |                   | 14 9                 |

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|--|-------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Bartholomew Flowers                      | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Jon <sup>a</sup> . Gilbert of Gloucester |       | 17 2              |                     | 17 2                 |
| John Grant                               | 29/6  | 11                | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 1 11 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Thomas Gently                            | 14/9  | 11                |                     | 15 8                 |
| Benjamin Grant                           | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Andrew Hooper                            | 14/9  | 10 6              | 8 11                | 1 14 2               |
| Jacob Hooper                             | 29/6  | 1 7 0             | 1 3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 3 19 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| Edward Hooper                            | 14/9  | 3 8               | 1 9                 | 1 0 2                |
| William Hooper                           | 14/9  | 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 9                 | 18 9 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| David Hooper                             | 14/9  | 1 6               | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 17 7 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| Joseph Hibbert Gloc <sup>r</sup> .       |       | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$   |                     | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$      |
| Jonathan Herrick Sen <sup>r</sup> .      | 29/6  | 1 7 0             | 16 11               | 3 13 5               |
| Jonathan Herrick Jun <sup>r</sup> .      | 14/9  | 9 0               | 11 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  | 1 15 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Nathaniel Haskell                        | 14/9  | 2 10              | 1 9                 | 19 4                 |
| Joseph Haskell                           | 14/9  | 11                | 1 9                 | 17 5                 |
| Stilson Hilton                           | 44/3  | 1 10              | 1 9                 | 2 7 10               |
| Amos Hilton                              | 29/6  | 1 10              |                     | 1 11 4               |
| Nathanael Hilton                         | 14/9  | 11                |                     | 15 8                 |
| Benjamin Hilton                          | 14/9  | 1 10              |                     | 16 7                 |
| John Hill                                | 14/9  | 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 9                 | 17 9 $\frac{1}{2}$   |
| Charles Hill                             | 14/9  | 11                |                     | 15 8                 |
| Benjamin Hill                            | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Joseph Hill                              | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Joseph Harsham                           | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Crispin Joynt                            | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Benj <sup>a</sup> . Jones                | 14/9  | 11                |                     | 15 8                 |
| Joseph Knights                           | 14/9  | 13 6              | 12 11               | 2 1 2                |
| Joseph Knights Jun <sup>r</sup> .        | 14/9  | 18 11             | 11 7                | 2 5 3                |
| Francis Knights                          | 14/9  | 11                | 1 9                 | 17 5                 |
| Robert Knowlton                          |       | 5 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 8 3 $\frac{3}{4}$    |
| Ezekiel Knowlton                         | 14/9  | 2 9               | 8 6 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 1 6 0 $\frac{1}{2}$  |
| Amey Knowlton                            |       | 1 9               | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$    |
| Edward Kitfield                          | 29/6  | 11                | 1 9                 | 1 12 2               |
| Nicholas Kitfield                        | 14/9  |                   |                     | 14 9                 |
| Joseph Killam                            | 14/9  | 11                |                     | 15 8                 |
| Benj <sup>a</sup> . Kimball              | 14/9  | 2 9               | 12 7                | 1 10 1               |
| Mary Lee Sen <sup>r</sup> .              |       | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$   | 2 9                  |
| Mary Lee Jun <sup>r</sup> .              | 44/3  | 1 10              | 4 $\frac{1}{2}$     | 2 6 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  |







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|---|-------|-------------|-----------------|------------|
| Hannah Lee  |       | 2 9         | 1 9             | 4 6        |
| Capt <sup>r</sup> Sam <sup>l</sup> Lee                |       | 1 7 0       | 2 14 4½         | 4 1 4½     |
| Widow Abigail Lee                                     |       | 1 4½        | 8 0             | 9 4½       |
| Joseph Lee  | 14/9  | 3 8         | 1 9             | 1 0 2      |
| Nathaniel Lee Sen <sup>r</sup> .                      | 14/9  | 6 7         | 6 3             | 1 7 7      |
| Aaron Lee   | 29/6  | 8 0         | 1 4 10½         | 3 2 4½     |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for M <sup>r</sup> . Symmes          |       |             | 12 1            | 12 1       |
| James Lee   | 14/9  | 1 10        |                 | 16 7       |
| Solomon Lee   | 29/6  | 7 8½        | 5 3             | 2 2 5½     |
| Edward Lee  | 14/9  | 4 10½       | 4 6             | 1 4 1½     |
| Isaac Lee   | 29/6  | 1 10        | 1 9             | 1 13 1     |
| Nathan Lee  | 14/9  | 2 6         | 2 8             | 19 11      |
| Nehemiah Lee  | 14/9  | 1 4½        | 2 8             | 18 9½      |
| Ebenezer Lee  | 14/9  | 11          | 2 4             | 18 0½      |
| Andrew Lee  | 14/9  | 2 9         | 2 6             | 1 0 0      |
| Nathanael Lee Jun <sup>r</sup> .                      | 14/9  | 1 3½        |                 | 16 0½      |
| David Lee   | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Jacob Lee   | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9       |
| Joseph Leach Sen <sup>r</sup> .                       | 14/9  | 1 10        | 1 9             | 18 4       |
| Paul Leach  | 7/4½  | 5 2½        | 4 8½            | 17 3       |
| Joseph Leach Jun <sup>r</sup> .                       | 14/9  | 1 10        | 1 4½            | 17 11½     |
| Amey Leach  | 14/9  | 11          | 1 4½            | 17 0½      |
| John Lyndall  | 14/9  | 11          | 1 9             | 17 5       |
| William Lofty   | 29/6  | 11          | 4½              | 1 10 9½    |
| Luke Morgan Gloces <sup>r</sup> .                     |       | 8           |                 | 8          |
| Hannah Marsters                                       |       | 5 10½       | 4 8             | 10 6½      |
| Andrew Marsters                                       | 29/6  | 1 10        | 1 18 9          | 3 10 1     |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Isaac Smith<br>Esq. <sup>r</sup> |       |             | 18 0            | 18 0       |
| Ruth Marsters   |       |             | 6               | 6 0        |
| John Morgan   | 14/9  | 3 8         | 1 9             | 1 0 2      |
| Daniel Morgan   | 14/9  | 1 2         |                 | 15 11      |
| Samuel Morse  | 14/9  | 1 4½        | 1 9             | 17 10½     |
| David Morse   | 14/9  | 1 10        | 1 9             | 18 4       |
| Moses May   | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Israel May  | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Will <sup>m</sup> Hind Main                           | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8       |
| Azarias Norton  | 14/9  | 12 8        | 6 5             | 1 13 10    |
| Benjamin Ober   | 29/6  | 11 3½       | 14 2½           | 2 14 11¾   |

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|---|-------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Benja <sup>a</sup> . Orsment                        | 14/9  | 3 8         | 1 9             | 1 0 2     |
| John Orsment  | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |
| Hannah Orsment                                      |       | 3 0         | 4 1½            | 7 1½      |
| Isaac Procter                                       | 29/6  | 2 9 6       | 1 12 4½         | 5 11 4½   |
| David Presson                                       |       | 8½          | 1 15 2          | 1 15 10½  |
| Isaac Presson                                       | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8      |
| John Perry Jun <sup>r</sup> .                       | 14/9  | 1 2½        | 2 2½            | 18 2      |
| Robert Perry  | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8      |
| Samuel Perry  | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8      |
| Thomas Poland                                       | 29/6  | 2 9         | 4 10½           | 1 17 1½   |
| David Pressen Jun <sup>r</sup> .                    | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |
| Nathaniel Rogers                                    | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8      |
| Jonathan Roberts                                    | 14/9  | 1 4½        |                 | 16 1½     |
| Sam <sup>l</sup> . Stone                            | 14/9  | 2 3½        | 1 9             | 18 9½     |
| William Stone                                       | 14/9  | 1 10        | 4½              | 16 11½    |
| Nehemiah Storer                                     | 29/6  | 2 9         | 8 6½            | 2 0 9½    |
| Nathan Storer                                       | 14/9  | 11          |                 | 15 8      |
| Andrew Symonds                                      | 14/9  | 1 10        | 1 9             | 18 4      |
| William Tarring                                     | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |
| John Tuck   | 14/9  | 2 9         | 3 7             | 1 1 1     |
| John Tuck Jun <sup>r</sup> .                        | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |
| William Tuck  | 14/9  | 1 1½        | 2 2½            | 18 1      |
| Jacob Tewxbury                                      | 7/4½  | 6 4         | 1 9             | 15 5½     |
| John Tewxbury                                       | 29/6  | 9 11        | 18 8            | 2 18 1    |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Isaac Smith Esq <sup>r</sup> . |       |             | 12 1            | 12 1      |
| James Thistle Beverly                               |       | 5½          |                 | 5½        |
| Joseph Whipple                                      | 14/9  | 2 2½        | 11 8            | 1 8 7½    |
| Ensign Andrew Woodberry                             | 14/9  | 12 8        | 18 1½           | 2 5 6½    |
| D <sup>o</sup> . for Cap <sup>t</sup> . Peal        |       |             | 12 1            | 12 1      |
| Azariah Woodberry                                   | 14/9  | 11          | 7 7½            | 1 3 3½    |
| Joseph Williams Beverly                             |       | 11          |                 | 11        |
| Robert Woodberry D <sup>o</sup> .                   |       | 5½          |                 | 5½        |
| Malachi Woodberry D <sup>o</sup> .                  |       | 5½          |                 | 5½        |
| Sam Woodberry                                       | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |
| William Williams                                    | 14/9  | 8½          |                 | 15 5½     |
| William Watson                                      | 14/9  |             |                 | 14 9      |

The above and foregoing is a true Copy of a List of Assessments





made by us the subscribers amounting to the sum of Two Hundred & Thirty seven Pounds, fifteen shillings & six pence half Penny Lawfull Money the Original of which I have received together with a warrant to collect the same which sum I promise to pay into y<sup>e</sup> Treasuer of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Manchester or unto his successor in y<sup>e</sup> same Place & Office as directed by y<sup>e</sup> Assessors Warrant herewith Committed unto me

Obed Carter Constable of

£237 15 6½

Manchester

Jeremiah Allen Jun<sup>r</sup>

Scarborough Hill

John Bennett

Benjamin Hobbs

Aaron Bray

Abial Lee

Benjamin Crowell

Edward May

Jonathan Courser

Benjamin Morgan

John Cole

Joseph Perry

Andrew Cleaves

Richard Pulsifer

Charles Roberts

Jacob Symonds

Charles Welchcs

Province Tax £196-<sup>s</sup>3-<sup>d</sup>6 1770

Minister School and County tax 1770 £226-<sup>s</sup>15-<sup>d</sup>8½

Ezekiel Allen

Isaac Bassett

William Brown

Isaac Johnson

Benjamin Lofty

John Poland

Anne Pearce

Francis D<sup>e</sup> Silver

William Roberts

Nehemiah Story Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Patrick M<sup>c</sup>Symonds

Minister, Town School and County Tax 1771, 222-<sup>£</sup>16-<sup>s</sup>10-<sup>d</sup>¼

Province Tax £57 18<sup>s</sup>

William Badcock Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Amos Bennett

Nathaniel Boynton

Michael Bowen

Joseph Badcock

Henry Federick

Daniel Herrick

Stilson Hilton Jun<sup>r</sup>.

John Hooker

William Harsham

John Harriman

Moses Johnson

Edward Kilfield Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Lawrence Laughlin

Aaron Lovace

John Morse

Israel Morgan

George Norton

Jonathan Procter

Isaac Procter Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Patrick Summers

Benjamin Tucker

William Thomas

Joseph Tuck

Province Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 63-18-2 \end{smallmatrix}$  for 1772Minister, School, Town and County Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 260-12-3 \end{smallmatrix}$ Jeremi Dow Jun<sup>r</sup>

Noah Dodge

John Day

Abigail Edwards

Elizabeth Edwards

Wid<sup>w</sup> Lydia EdwardsJacob Hooper Jun<sup>r</sup>Aaron Lee Jun<sup>r</sup>

Daniel Lee

Wid<sup>w</sup> Sarah LeachJoseph Leach 3<sup>d</sup>

Jonathan Prince

Jacob Morgan

Humphrey Williams

Province Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 56-18-8 \end{smallmatrix}$  1773.Minister, School, Town and County Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 220-14-8 \end{smallmatrix}$ 

|   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| “ | “ | “ | $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 218-6-2 \end{smallmatrix}$ |
|---|---|---|--|

Jeffry Goldsmith

Amos Jones

Lot Killam

William Low

Province Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 23-19-4 \end{smallmatrix}$  1774.Minister, School, Town and County Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 237-0-4 \end{smallmatrix}$ 

Thomas Badcock

John Badcock

William Brown

Elizabeth Bean

David Carter

Samuel Driver

Naomi Leach

Peter Spence

Minister, School Town and County Tax, 1775,  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 238-9-1\frac{1}{2} \end{smallmatrix}$ Province Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 120-6-\frac{1}{2} \end{smallmatrix}$ 

Richard Downing

Francis Gordon

Jeremiah Hibbert

Downing Lee

Nehemiah Presson

Reuben Knowlten

Asa Herrick

William Eliot

Thomas Stevens

William Pittman

George Girdler

Ruth Tewksbury

Susannah Hilton

Minister Town and County Tax for 1776.  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 254-13-8\frac{1}{4} \end{smallmatrix}$ State Tax for 1776  $\begin{smallmatrix} \pounds & s & d \\ 223-13-7 \end{smallmatrix}$







|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Abraham Corner | Thomas Stevens |
| John Stevens   | John Glover    |
| Stephen Sewel  | Samuel Reason  |
| George Hall    | Robert Bean    |

State Tax for 1777,  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ & 632 & -7-4 \end{smallmatrix}$

Town, Minister and County Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{£} & \text{s} \\ & 282 & -17 \end{smallmatrix}$

|                                |                               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Abraham Quiner                 | Downing Lee Jun <sup>r</sup>  |
| Benjamin Ober Jun <sup>r</sup> | Abigail Tarring               |
| Richard Webber                 | John Androse                  |
| Marston Whattson               | Jacob Story                   |
| James Androse                  | Richard Brown                 |
| Thomas Low                     | Nathaniel Poland              |
| Jobe Smith                     | John Low                      |
| William Tayler                 | William Haselton              |
| William Langdall               | Joseph Corning                |
| William Morgan                 | Theophilus Hull               |
| Theophilus Herrick             | Paul Harskell                 |
| Wid <sup>w</sup> Amon Charnick | Marke Dodge                   |
| Jonathan Dodge                 | Jonathan Patch                |
| William Standley               | Joshua Dodge                  |
| William Peirce                 | Nathan Wighman                |
| Jeames Woodbury                | Jedediah Smith                |
| Edward Dodge                   | Nehemiah Presson              |
| Samuell Woodbury               | John Dodge                    |
| Richard Dodge                  | William Cleaves               |
| Amos Dodge                     | Wid <sup>w</sup> Mary Downing |
| George Hall                    | Nathan Brown                  |
| Andrew Leach                   | Wid <sup>w</sup> Mary Collens |
| John Webb                      | Jonathan Cunnant              |
| Jonah Dodge                    | Joseph Knowlton               |
| Betty Harskill                 |                               |

State Tax for 1778  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ & 526 & -19-4 \end{smallmatrix}$  June 16<sup>th</sup>

“ “ “  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ & 534 & -4-17 \end{smallmatrix}$  Aug 17<sup>th</sup>

Town, Minister and Bounty Tax  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ & 1297 & -5-7 \end{smallmatrix}$

made by the Assessers 1778 committed to Constable Feb. 18, 1779

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| John Allen 3 <sup>d</sup>      | Nehemiah Allen                 |
| Richard Downing                | Frances Gorden                 |
| George Hall                    | Wid <sup>w</sup> Marion Leach  |
| Larance McLawlen               | John Morgan Jun <sup>r</sup>   |
| Wid <sup>w</sup> Eunice Norton | Benjamin Ober Jun <sup>r</sup> |
| Israel Ober                    | Simon Miller                   |
| James Evelath                  | David Marshall                 |
| John Kinsman                   | Moses Forster                  |
| Doc <sup>r</sup> Dampney       | Nathaniel Wayman               |
| Jedediah Smith                 |                                |

State Tax                     $\overset{\text{£}}{1779\ 49\overset{\text{£}}{2}7}$  Nov 12<sup>th</sup>

Contanantall Tax    “     $\overset{\text{£}}{2024}\overset{\text{s}}{9}\overset{\text{d}}{4}$  June 3<sup>d</sup>

Town, County, Bounty, Minister and School Tax  $\overset{\text{£}}{2976}$ . Nov. 3.

|               |                   |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Ephraim Brown | Thomas Grant      |
| Ezekiel Leach | Elexander Davison |
| Michael Downs | Isaac Procter     |
| John Cane     |                   |

State Tax 1780  $\overset{\text{£}}{6198}\overset{\text{s}}{6}\overset{\text{d}}{8}$  Feb. 5

Tax for Mr. Toppens Salary and the Town  $\overset{\text{£}}{1600}$  Mar. 22.

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